

**SCENARIO DEVELOPMENT TO SUPPORT STRATEGIC PLANNING IN THE
SOUTH AFRICAN TABLE GRAPE INDUSTRY**

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SUMMARY

The South African table grape industry has evolved significantly in the last two decades. Ever improving supply chain technologies, post-harvest technology innovation, and more efficient production inputs have all stimulated the production of table grapes in all five South African production regions. While the industry in general is well developed, from the late 1990s the competitiveness status of the South African table grape industry has been negative as far as international competitiveness is rated. Prior to this, from 1961 to 1998, the industry had recorded positive trends in competitiveness. The recent decline, from as early as the 2000s, in the competitiveness of the industry can be attributed to rising competition from alternate Southern Hemisphere suppliers, increasing production costs and export costs, as well as inadequate market diversification.

As a result of its negative competitiveness status, the table grape industry wants to diversify its export markets in order to improve and protect the industry's position in the global table grape markets. The objective of this study is to investigate the viability of specific export market diversification scenarios. The aim is to evaluate the potential impact on the table grape industry if export volumes were to be relocated from traditional to emerging markets, and the potential risk if the industry were to maintain the current market distribution. The study developed a deterministic farm-level model based on accounting principles as a tool for simulating and analysing the impact of changes in markets on the financial viability of farms under different scenarios. A scenario development process is adopted in this study as it offers the possibility of integrating various kinds of data in a consistent manner, and it can represent the views and expectations of several stakeholders simultaneously.

Three scenarios were developed: (i) Scenario 1 presents the continuation of current market distributions (i.e. 85% of South African exports are marketed in Europe and another 15% are distributed to other global markets); (ii) Scenario 2A depicts a situation where export volumes are slowly redistributed to emerging markets; and (iii) Scenario 2B presents a situation where export volumes are rapidly redistributed to emerging markets. The targets for both Scenarios 2A and 2B are to market 60% of South African exports to Europe and 40% to other global markets. Scenarios 2A and 2B are driven by similar factors, including improving industry information, globalisation, increasing competition, and table grape prices.

An analysis of factors shaping the table grape export sector shows that the industry can no longer afford to send large export quantities predominantly to its traditional markets, due to increasing competition and diminishing market prices. Furthermore, the analysis shows that continuing with the current market diversification will have a negative impact on the industry, as farm returns, employment and farm units will decline under this scenario. The results suggest that the industry would be better off if export volumes were redistributed away from Europe to other markets.

OPSOMMING

Gedurende die laaste twee dekades het die Suid Afrikaanse Tafeldruif Industrie met rasse skrede vooruitgegaan. Dit kan grootliks toegeskryf word aan verbeterde tegnologiese ontwikkeling en innovasie in die voorsieningsketting en na-oes tegnologie arenas, asook aan meer doeltreffende produksie insette wat produksie toenames in al vyf die Suid Afrikaanse produksie areas gestimuleer het. Alhoewel die industrie relatief goed ontwikkel was sedert sy ontstaan, was die kompeterende status daarvan meestal negatief sedert die 1990's, gemeet aan internasionale kompetisie. Daar was egter tussen 1961 en 1998 ook positiewe mededinging tendense. Die onlangse verlaagde vlakke van mededingendheid van die industrie (veral sedert die vroeë 2000's) kan toegeskryf word aan verhoogde kompetisie vanaf ander Suidelike Halfrond verskaffers, verhoogde produksie- en uitvoerkoste, asook aan onvoldoende mark diversifisering.

As gevolg van die negatiewe mededingendheid status, wil die tafeldruif industrie sy uitvoer markte diversifiseer om te verseker dat die industrie sy posisie in die globale tafeldruif mark kan beskerm. Die doel van hierdie studie is dus om die lewensvatbaarheid van spesifieke uitvoer mark diversifisering scenario's te ondersoek. Daarmee saam is die potensiële impak op die industrie ook bepaal vir (a) 'n hoë persentasie uitvoer volumes wat verskuif vanaf tradisionele markte na ontluikende market, of (b) wat die risiko sal wees indien die huidige markverspreiding vlakke behou word. Die studie ontwikkel 'n deterministiese plaasvlak model, gebaseer op rekeningkundige beginsels, om as hulpmiddel te dien vir die simulering en analise van die impak van verandering van teikenmarkte op die finansiële lewensvatbaarheid van plase onder verskillende omstandighede. 'n Scenario ontwikkelings proses word in hierdie studie aangeneem aangesien dit toelaat vir die integrasie van verskillende tipes data op 'n eenvormige wyse, terwyl dit ook die sieninge en verwagtinge van verskeie rolspelers terselfdertyd kan verteenwoordig.

Drie scenario's word ontwikkel naamlik (i) Scenario 1: Dit verteenwoordig die huidige mark verspreiding (85% van Suid Afrikaanse uitvoere word in Europa bemark terwyl 15% versprei word na ander globale markte); (ii) Scenario 2A: Hier word die situasie uitgebeeld indien uitvoer volumes stadig herverdeel word na ontluikende markte; en (iii) Scenario 2B: Hier word die situasie uitgebeeld indien uitvoer volumes vinnig herverdeel word na ontluikende markte.

Die teikens vir beide Scenario 2A en 2B is om 60% van die Suid Afrikaanse uitvoere in Europa te bemark en 40% in ander globale markte. Beide scenario's word deur dieselfde faktore gestu wat onder andere verbeterde industrie inligting, globalisering, verhoogde kompetisie en produk pryse insluit.

'n Ontleding van die vormende faktore van die tafeldruif uitvoer sektor toon dat die industrie nie langer kan bekostig om hoë uitvoer volumes na die tradisionele markte te stuur nie, as gevolg van sterker kompetisie en krimpende markpryse. Die ontleding toon ook verder dat, indien voortgegaan word met die huidige mark diversifiserings model, die industrie negatief beïnvloed sal word in terme van verlaagde plaas inkomste, werkverskaffing en die aantal boerdery eenhede. Die uitslae dui dus daarop dat die industrie beter daaraan toe sal wees indien die huidige uitvoer volumes herverdeel kan word na ander (nie-Europese) markte.

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

1.1. Introduction

From the inception of South African table grape exporting in 1886, when the first South African table grapes were exported to the United Kingdom, table grape exports to this market and the rest of Europe have developed into a large industry. The South African table grape industry is more than 120 years old today and currently exports just over 50 million cartons (4.5 kg) of table grapes per season to global markets (SATI, 2009). Over the last two decades, South Africa has managed to diversify only 15% of their total exports away from the UK and Continental Europe. The reason for this inadequate market diversity is that South Africa was colonised by Europeans, and together they have established a good trading partnership governed by the Trade, Development and Co-operation Agreement (TDCA). A second factor is the lack of understanding of emerging Eastern markets, which are economically, psychologically, environmentally and socially different from the traditional markets. Therefore, gaining an improved understanding of these differences will be a key tool in enhancing the producers' capacity to supply these markets successfully.

The constantly weakening exchange rate (strengthening of the euro and the pound against the rand) also adds to the reasons why South Africa prefers European markets. A South African exporter not only receives high returns when selling to European markets, but is also perceived as the preferred supplier of quality grapes (the country is now regarded as the *preferred country of origin for quality and tasty grapes* (SATI, 2009)). The other factor that encourages South African exports to the EU is that European markets are well developed and characterised by modern infrastructures, allowing rapid mobility of products within the EU markets. The European markets are also geographically closer to South Africa, making it easier to export perishable products at controlled temperatures. The short shipping times from South Africa to Europe have proven to be a strong comparative advantage for South Africa when compared to other southern hemisphere countries (Adriaen et al., 2004: 197).

1.2. History of South African export industry

As is clear from the graph in Figure 1 below, growth in the export of South African table grapes was slow up to the late 1970s. The faster growth was triggered by the UK joining the European Economic Community (now known as the European Union or EU) and new markets becoming available to South Africa as a result. Exports increased steadily through to the early 1990s. The significant growth in production and export from the 1990s up to 2009 was driven by a number of factors, including (i) the growth of production of seedless varieties in the northern regions of South Africa, (ii) the deregulation of the industry in 1997 and (iii) arguably most importantly, access to more markets for the new South Africa with the expansion of democracy.

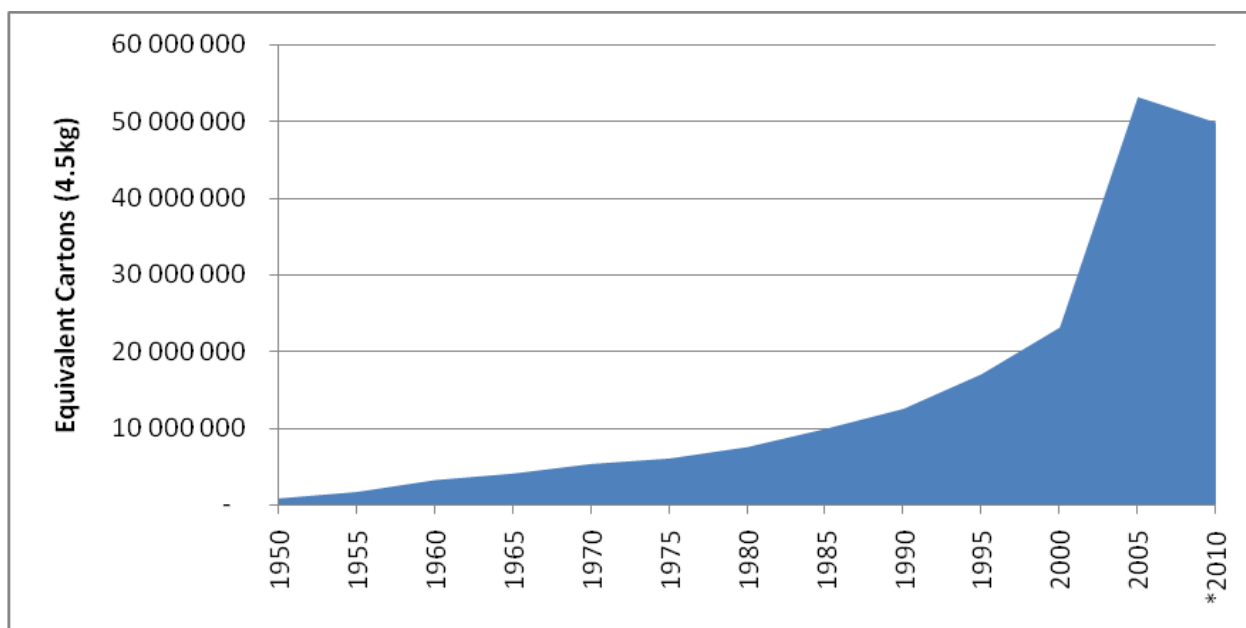


Figure 1: South African table grape export trend: 1950-2010

***Note:** 1950-2009 is actual data and *2010 is estimated data

Source: (PPECB & SATI: 2009)

Since around 2005 there has been a consolidation of production as a result of marginal profitability, largely due to the growth of production in South Africa and other southern hemisphere countries (i.e. Chile, Peru, Argentina, Namibia and Brazil), without the necessary market development and diversification. With consolidation has come much more of a market-driven orientation and subsequent stability in the industry. The opening of new markets and the growth of consumption in the Far East and the Middle East may well trigger new growth in South African table grape production and export, as was observed in the 1980s.

1.3. The rise of other suppliers to Europe

Ever improving supply chain technologies, the emergence of new viticulture techniques, post-harvest technology innovation, more effective production inputs and new cultivars have all stimulated the production of table grapes in South Africa and other southern hemisphere countries over the last decade. As a result of the growth in production, the European markets have started to accommodate exports from other southern hemisphere countries such as Brazil, Namibia, Peru, Argentina and Chile. The harvesting time in these countries overlaps with the South African harvesting time; consequently, they compete directly with South African produce in northern hemisphere markets.

The Bureau for Food and Agricultural Policy (BFAP)¹ has studied the impact of increasing volumes of exports from other southern hemisphere countries to European markets. In the report they released in February 2008, *The Outlook for the South African Table Grape Industry*, they showed that export volumes from Chile and South Africa, the largest and second-largest exporters of table grapes in the southern hemisphere, increased respectively by 4% and 6% per annum between 2000 and 2006 (BFAP, 2008: 3). Exports by Peru, New Zealand, Namibia and Brazil increased on average by 35%, 33%, 30% and 24% respectively from a low base over the same period (BFAP, 2008: 3). The BFAP results show that there will be an additional 68 million cartons in the export markets by 2012 (BFAP, 2008: 4). Southern hemisphere export volume has increased from 630 000 tons in 1996 to over 1.2 million tons in 2008. The volume projection for 2014 is 1.35 million tons (SHAFFE, 2008). It should be pointed out that not all export volumes from the southern hemisphere are exported to Europe, although Europe makes up a large proportion of the global market.. The increase in volume caused the average price received for South African table grape exports to decline by 8% each year from year 2000 to 2006 (Frudata, 2008 and BFAP, 2008: 4). This suggests that the export price will continue to drop unless a strategy of greater market diversification is pursued.

¹ BFAP, the Bureau for Food and Agricultural Policy, is a non-profit research organisation based at the Universities of Pretoria and Stellenbosch and the Western Cape Department of Agriculture. The primary aim of the BFAP is to offer high-level strategic and market analysis to all role players in the food and agribusiness sector in South Africa.

1.4. The emerging need for market diversification

Over the past five years, South African producers have been confronted with production costs rising faster than export table grape prices. The weaker export price is caused by high competition in the traditional markets. South African producers face not only tough price competition in Europe, but also markets are constantly changing, now characterised by strict phytosanitary requirements. The traditional markets have put in place various kinds of non-tariff barriers, such as strict safety and handling standards, anti-dumping policies, and recently, barriers based on concerns over global warming. These factors are perceived as **push factors** that should motivate South African exporters and producers to start exploring alternative markets for their products.

There are **pull factors** that are increasingly encouraging South Africans to allocate some of their export volume to other markets (i.e. the Far East, the Middle East and Africa) away from Europe. The booming economy in the Far East countries and the large consumer market characterised by consumers with relatively high disposable income and spending ability are the main factors that should encourage South Africans to devote their focus to these developing markets. The Middle East is displaying growing opportunities for South Africa; this market has a limited consumer market size but importers from the Middle East are willing to pay higher prices than some of the European markets (e.g. Eastern European markets). Africa has also shown noticeable potential over the last three years, but logistical constraints, underdeveloped infrastructure and political instability cast a shadow on the growth potential of African countries.

The consumption of table grapes has increased significantly in many Asian countries over the last ten years. In the 1990s, China was the fifth largest consumer of table grapes in world rankings, and in 2006, China moved up to become the largest consumer of table grapes, consuming 3.8 million tons per annum (USDA, 2006: 4). The consumption of table grapes has declined slightly in Europe. The EU-25 was the largest consumer of table grapes in the early 2000s and is now ranked the second-largest consumer of table grapes, with 2.2 million tons consumed per annum (USDA, 2006: 5). The Asian markets are less protected by strict phytosanitary standards than European markets (TTM, 2005: 12). The other crucial advantage of Far East and Middle East markets is that they operate on a guaranteed price agreement (*Fixed Price*), while the European market is a consignment price market (*Minimum Guaranteed Price*).

This means that before an exporter ships table grapes to the Far East or Middle East, a guaranteed price has already been set. The risk of receiving a lower price than was initially expected is minimal if the supply chain is managed properly.

Some global economic organisations such as OECD, the World Economic Forum, Global Insight and others, claim that the ‘global economic map’ is shifting and moving from the Western part of the planet towards the East. The main drivers of the economic map that have been identified include the open export base economy of China, from the early 2000s; the booming Indian economy, driven by its steel export sector and textile and automotive industries; and the improving infrastructure and economic growth in Middle East countries. The evolution of the formal retail sector in many Asian countries has also played a significant role in improving the social and economic environment in Asia. The free trade agreements and regional treaties such as the Brazil, Russia, India and China agreement (BRIC) and other bilateral agreements also seem to be good drivers of economic growth in Asia, allowing international participants in the Eastern economies. Table 1, shows some macroeconomic indicators that can be used to show the potential of China and India when measured in terms of economic growth and size of the consumer market.

Forecasts show that GDP growth will continue to grow above 7% in China and above 8% in India at least up to 2012. The table below also shows a trend of high consumer spending ability in these two countries. The consumer spending ability is projected to be 7.9% and 6.7% by 2012 for China and India respectively. Population growth is anticipated to continue for both countries (Global Insight, 2008).

Table 1: Macroeconomic indicators for China, India and Europe

	Unit	Country	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Population Growth	Million	China	1 312	1 325	1 332	1 343	1 348	1 351	1 359	1 368
	Million	India	1 134	1 152	1 176	1 198	1 211	1 220	1 249	1 262
	Million	EU-15	384	386	387	387	388	388	389	389
Real GDP Growth	%	China	10.4	11.6	11.9	10.2	9.0	8.6	8.0	7.3
	%	India	9.2	9.7	9.0	7.5	8.2	8.6	8.4	8.2
	%	EU-15	2.52	2.72	2.14	2.09	2.27	2.06	1.95	1.98
Real Consumer Spending	%	China	8.0	7.6	7.2	7.4	7.5	7.7	7.9	7.9
	%	India	8.7	7.1	8.3	5.7	5.9	6.7	8.2	6.7
Nominal GDP per Capita	USD	China	1 710	2 022	2 483	3 458	4 069	4 886	5 666	6 397
	USD	India	716	794	975	1 084	1 202	1 374	1 545	1 711

Source: Global Insight, 2008

1.5. Study objectives and expected outcomes

The new table grape industry strategy reveals that SATI wants to expand its exports to Eastern markets. The new strategy aims to diversify the industry's current market risk profile in order to improve and protect its position in the global table grape markets (SATI, 2008: 7). The aim of this study is to investigate the viability of specific export market diversification scenarios. The general objective is to develop a deterministic farm-level model of a typical table grape farm in the Western Cape and Northern regions of the country. The farm-level model is developed based on accounting principles and operates as a tool for simulating and analysing the impact of changes in markets on the financial viability of the farms under different scenarios.

There are three export market diversification scenarios that were developed in this study. (i) Scenario 1 depicts the current market diversification, namely 85% of South African exports marketed in Europe and 15% marketed in Asian and African markets. (ii) Scenario 2A portrays a situation where 60% of South African exports are marketed in Europe and 40% are marketed in

Asia and Africa. The number of years taken to achieve Scenario 2A targets is 14 years. (iii) Scenario 2B shows an environment where 60% of South African exports are marketed in Europe and 40% are marketed in Asia and Africa. The number of years taken to achieve Scenario 2B targets is nine years. The justification for developing these scenarios is provided in Chapter Four.

The study adopts a scenario development process that has been used by many companies in their long-term planning sessions. Firstly, scenarios are able to represent the views and expectations of several stakeholders. Secondly, better than any other future-oriented tool, scenarios offer the possibility of integrating various kinds of data in a consistent manner. Besides quantitative data, scenarios can handle qualitative input (Bood and Postma, 2008: 7). It is these qualities that have resulted in the adoption of scenario development in this study. Knowledge gained from the study is expected to

- ❖ ensure optimum supply of developing markets, increase returns and reduce industry profile risk;
- ❖ further the understanding of emerging market requirements and characteristics (e.g. technical and environmental impediments);
- ❖ further the understanding of internal market forces (retail spread, distribution channels, consumer preferences and taste);
- ❖ determine the profitability of emerging markets as opposed to traditional markets.

1.6. Thesis structure

The thesis is structured in the following manner. The second chapter includes a comprehensive theory of scenario development derived from strategic management literature. This chapter contains various sections where the origins, uses and definitions of scenarios are discussed. The chapter proceeds by laying out the principles and functionality of scenarios. The series of scenario development steps are also discussed in this chapter.

The third chapter presents the study methodology. The chapter further provides the focal issue of scenarios and discuss the trends driving the scenarios. This chapter also describes the structure and process of scenario development. The financial models that were used to determine the profitability of the industry's production regions under different scenarios are also explained in chapter 3. The fourth chapter provides an overview of the South African table grape industry. This chapter gives background information on the table grape industry and explains the

developments that have taken place over the last 120 years. The characteristics of the five South African table grape production areas are also discussed. The chapter further explains how European markets have shaped South African production patterns.

The fifth chapter gives descriptive market information. The characteristics of European, Chinese and Indian markets are discussed. The main objective is to evaluate the sustainability of these markets. This chapter intends to describe the story (i.e. qualitative information) part of the scenario development process and how relevant trends or events could unfold in the future under different market situations. The chapter concludes by providing the differences between these markets and discussing the implications of these differences on South African marketing and production of table grapes.

The sixth chapter provides a financial analysis that complements the theoretical part of the study by presenting numerical estimates of future indicators and helping to maintain the consistency of the storyline. The chapter identifies and quantifies the costs of driving forces and expresses their influence in numerical terms (using a deterministic farm-level model). Three scenarios are developed, depicting the different worlds of the table grape industry, namely **Scenario 1**, which is driven by current trends and presents the continuation of the current market situation, **Scenario 2A**, which is driven by globalisation, increasing southern hemisphere export volumes, economic growth and trade policy trends, and **Scenario 2B**, which is driven by rising export volumes, improved quality standards and better industry information (intelligence). The study ends with conclusions, a summary and recommendations.

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE REVIEW

2.1. Introduction

In strategic management theory, a range of future planning tools have emerged over many years to assist managers to prepare for unexpected outcomes. Scenario development is one of the future planning tools that have proven to be effective in many companies. This chapter presents an overview of the literature on scenarios as a planning tool. It provides the origin and functions of scenarios and then presents cases where scenarios have been applied with success. The literature review shows different approaches to developing scenarios, which demonstrates that there is, as yet, no consensus about the best approach to use. Each approach has its own strengths and weaknesses. This study uses the intuitive logic approach to develop export market diversification scenarios for the table grape industry. This scenario development approach consists of two elements, namely the storyline and numerical models. The storyline describes the story, how relevant events unfold in the future, while the numerical model calculations complement the storyline by presenting numerical estimates of future indicators.

2.2. Three schools of strategic management thinking

In the strategic management literature, three schools of thought have arisen to interpret the way managers think about their organisations' strategies. These can be characterised as rationalist, evolutionary and processual schools of thought.

2.2.1. The rationalistic paradigm

In the 1950s and 1960s, strategic planning for the future was mostly based on the 'predict and control' principle, thus a rationalistic paradigm (Mintzberg and Water, 1990: 260). The rationalistic school codifies thought and action separately. The tactical underlying assumption is that there is one best solution or strategy, and the job of the strategist is to get as close to this as possible within the limited resources available. The rationalistic paradigm works well when the future mission is well defined. It starts with the definition of the purpose of the organisation (mission) and then derives a set of strategic objectives based on this mission.

There have been major failures of rationalistic strategic management, and many of these failures are described in the book *The Rise and Fall of Strategic Planning* (Mintzberg, 1994). The most prominent cause of failure is that rationalistic planning can only work if things are clear and predictable. The other cause of failure is when the strategist selects a best strategy on the basis of maximum utility, resulting in no room for further arguments.

2.2.2. The evolutionary paradigm

The evolutionary school emphasises the complex nature of organisational behaviour, beyond the realms of rational thinking. In this paradigm, strategy is a perspective on emergent behaviour; a winning strategy can only be articulated in retrospect. In this context, evolution refers to the phenomenon of emergent properties of systems that have a discriminating and transmissible memory of successful strategies (Van der Heijden, 1996: 33). Discrimination may be self-applied or imposed from the outside, but it ensures that the strategies which survive are those best fitted to do so. In this school of thought, strategy is a process of random experimentation and filtering out of unsuccessful strategies (Mintzberg & Waters, 1990: 261). This traditional approach has gradually become less and less capable of modelling strategic thinking due to (Van der Heijden, 1996: 33):

- its minimal predictive power;
- logical problems with the notion of sustainable prescription for business success in a competitive world;
- growing insight into complexities that make one realise the importance of bettering the fundamental limitations to prescience

2.2.3. The processual paradigm

The processual school sees the organisation as a complex adaptive system. It is open to the outside world and adjusts its activities according to what it discovers there. Rationalist and evolutionist paradigms worry less about how the organisational process works “why bother if there is only one right answer or if there is no answer at all”, but the processualist, on the other hand, is keenly interested in internal processes (Van der Heijden, 1996: 36).

The processual approach to strategy is concerned with improving the fitness of organisations by creating processes that can utilise the resources available, *scenario development* being such a process. Scenario development deliberately confronts managers with environmental uncertainties by presenting them several fundamentally different outlooks on the future (Schoemaker & Van der Heijden, 1992: 44). Generally, scenarios focus attention on causal process and crucial decision points. In doing so, scenarios highlight fundamental uncertainties surrounding the (strategic) decisions managers have to make. In this sense, scenarios may be seen as complementary to traditional forecasting and simulation techniques in order to provide a composite picture of future developments for use as a background for policy making and or strategic planning.

Strategic management has increasingly supported the use of scenarios rather than forecasts for long-term planning and strategic analysis (Zanoli et al., 2000: 3). Scenario analysis differs from other forecasting techniques in two important ways. Firstly, it usually provides a more qualitative and contextual description of how the present will evolve into the future, rather than one that seeks numerical precision. Secondly, scenario analysis usually tries to identify a set of possible futures, each of which is plausible but not assured and not necessarily probable (Schnaars, 1997: 107 and Zanoli et al., 2000: 3).

2.3. Definitions of scenario

The word *scenario* has multiple uses and one can expect the term to have various definitions. There are thus varying definitions of scenario, but on one point, there is consensus: “It is not a prediction.” (Wack, 1985: 143 and Van der Heijden et al., 2002: 53). The characteristics inherent in the various definitions are that they are hypothetical, causally coherent, internally consistent and descriptive. A definition which covers many of the characteristics mentioned above is:

Scenarios are consistent and coherent descriptions of alternative hypothetical futures that reflect different perspectives on past, present and future developments, which can serve as a basis for actions (Van Notten, 2005: 2).

Other definitions related to the one above include: (i) *Scenarios are a descriptive narrative of a set of relevant factors that are described from a probabilistic point of view (Huss, 1988: 379).* (ii) *Scenarios are processes that depict some feasible future state of an organisation’s*

environment and mostly include the dynamic sequence of interacting events, conditions and changes that are necessary to reach that state (Bood and Postma, 2008: 2).

2.4. Origin of scenarios

The term scenario has been borrowed from the theatre; it is an Italian term derived from the Latin word *scaenarium* (a place for erecting stages), and traditionally used to refer to the plot outlines used by actors of the *commedia dell'arte* (Van Notten, 2005: 1 and IDG, 2002: 15). Scenario was taken over by strategic planners after World War II to describe a method for war game analysis, and eventually it entered the civilian vocabulary through the work of Herman Kahn and others (IDG, 2002: 17).

2.5. Evolution of scenarios

The evolution of scenario development helps to explain key developments in the scenario development process. Scenarios first emerged during World War II as a method for military planning, when the US Air Force tried to imagine what its opponents might do, and prepare alternative strategies (Kahn and Wiener, 1968 and IDG, 2002: 17). In the 1960s Herman Kahn, who had been part of the Air Force effort, refined scenarios as a tool for business forecasting and became America's top futurist, predicting the inevitability of growth and prosperity. But scenarios reached a new dimension in the early 1970s with the work of Pierre Wack. In 1968, Wack was a planner in the London offices of Royal Dutch Shell, the international oil enterprise. Wack and his colleagues realised that member countries of the organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) were likely to start demanding far higher prices for their oil. The only uncertainty was when.

Shell's directors listened carefully to Wack's presentations, but did not change their behaviour. As a result, Wack realised that, to be effective, scenarios had to change a manager's view of reality (IDG, 2002: 17 and Bradfield, 2005: 2). He then developed a new type of scenario that no longer consisted of simple tales of possible futures. Instead, he described the full ramifications of possible oil price shocks and tried to make people feel them. He vividly pointed to existing forces in the world and what sort of influences those forces would have, helping managers to

imagine the decisions they might have to make as a result. As a result, Shell was the only major oil company prepared for the oil price shock and energy crisis that erupted in 1973 (IDG, 2002: 17).

Wack (1968) was no longer concerned with prognostication; his main concern was the mindset of decision makers. To operate in an uncertain world, they had to be able to re-perceive, i.e. to question their assumptions about the way the world worked, so that they could see it more clearly. Thus the purpose of scenarios is to help decision makers change their view of reality to match it up more closely with reality as it is and reality as it is going to be. Scenarios deal with two worlds: the world of facts and the world of perceptions (IDG, 2002: 17). They explore for facts, but aim at perceptions inside the heads of decision makers. Their purpose is to gather and transform information of strategic significance into flesh perceptions.

2.6. Nature and principles of scenario development

Scenario development is a natural thinking tool for use in a strategic conversation (Van der Heijden, 1996: 54). It improves the fitness of organisations at two levels: (i) in the longer-term, development of a more robust organisational system, better able to withstand the unexpected shocks that will come its way, and (ii) in the shorter-term, increased adaptability by more skilful observation of the business environment.

Scenario development does not attempt to predict what is unpredictable, and for this reason, considers multiple, equally plausible futures. Scenario development succeeds when an organisation is willing to adapt itself so that it 'gains the high ground' (i.e. maximises its chances of achieving its purpose² in whatever environment it finds itself, through a process of organisational learning. Scenario development is an effective method of organising a variety of seemingly unrelated economic, technological, competitive, political and social information and translating it into a framework for judgment.

² The basic organisational purpose is the double objective of survival and self-development (Van der Heijden, 1996: 55).

2.7. Types of scenarios

Scenarios can be classified in various ways including: (i) qualitative vs quantitative (ii) exploratory vs anticipatory (iii) baseline vs policy scenario (Alcamo, 2001: 10-12).

(i) Qualitative vs quantitative

Most scenarios come in two basic forms: qualitative and quantitative. Qualitative scenarios describe possible futures in the form of words or visual symbols. They can take the shape of diagrams, phrases or outlines, but more often, they are made up of narrative text, the so-called storylines. The primary advantage of the qualitative scenario is to be able to represent the views of several different stakeholders and expectations at the same time. The drawback is that qualitative scenarios, per definition, do not satisfy a need for numerical information (Alcamo, 2001: 10).

The quantitative scenario provides needed numerical information in the form of tables and graphs. Its disadvantage is that the exactness of its numbers is sometimes taken as meaning that we know more about the future than we actually do. Another disadvantage is that quantitative scenarios are usually based on results of computer models, and these contain many implicit assumptions about the future. It has been argued that these models tend to represent only one point of view about how the future will unfold, and in this way produce scenarios that are unnecessarily narrow in view (Alcamo, 2001: 10).

(ii) Exploratory vs anticipatory

Another way to classify scenarios is to distinguish between exploratory and anticipatory scenarios. The exploratory scenarios (also known as descriptive scenarios) are those that begin in the present and explore trends into the future. This comes close to the original meaning of the word scenario in the sense that it is a sequence of emerging events. The exploratory scenarios are much more common in strategic management studies, perhaps because they require less speculation about the future than anticipatory scenarios. Anticipatory scenarios (also known as prescriptive or normative scenarios) start with a prescribed vision of the future and then work backwards in time to visualise how this future could emerge (Alcamo, 2001: 11).

(iii) Baseline vs policy scenario

Another useful way to classify scenarios is to distinguish between baseline and policy scenarios. Baseline scenarios are known as reference, benchmark or non-intervention scenarios. They present the future state of society and the environment in which environmental policies either do not exist or do not have a discernable influence on society or the environment. The baseline scenarios can be used to evaluate the consequences of current policies in the future with no new policy intervention (Alcamo, 2001: 12).

Policy scenarios depict the future effects of trade, environmental and social protection policies. Policy scenarios are also known as mitigation or intervention scenarios. A major purpose of policy scenarios is to identify policies that attain specific environmental goals and examine the economic impact of specific environmental policies (Alcamo, 2001: 12).

2.8. Functions of scenarios

Scenarios have now claimed to fulfil a wide range of different functions (see Table 2, below). Some of these functions are concrete and clearly visible. The newer ones are more abstract and bring about intangible products.

Table 2: Summary of the main functions of scenarios

Original functions: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Evaluation and selection of strategies2. Integration of various kinds of future-oriented data3. Exploration of the future and identification of future possibilities
More recently added functions: <ol style="list-style-type: none">4. Making managers aware of environmental uncertainties5. Stretching of managers' mental models6. Triggering and accelerating processes of organisational learning (stimulating creativity)

Source: Bood & Postma, 2008: 6-9

The first function of scenarios is to provide a background for the *evaluation and selection of strategies*. Scenarios can provide a framework within which all the various factors and information can be more effectively and easily judged by the decision-maker (Bood and Postma, 2008: 6)

Secondly, better than any other future-oriented tool, scenarios offer the possibility to *integrate various kinds of data* in a consistent manner. Beside quantitative data, scenarios can handle qualitative input, incorporate results from other forecasting techniques and allow for soft and fuzzy variables. This function is especially useful as a considerable part of the knowledge used in formulating strategies is qualitative in nature (Bood and Postma, 2008: 7).

Thirdly, scenarios are means to *explore the future and identify what might possibly happen* and how an organisation could act on or react to future developments. In fact, Kahn and Wiener's (1968) early definition of scenarios emphasises this function by defining scenarios as: "hypothetical sequences of events constructed for the purpose of focusing attention on causal processes and decision points." Good scenarios enlarge managers' understanding as to what is significant versus what is ephemeral. This allows for anticipation of the unexpected and provides for an early warning system (Schoemaker, 1995: 27).

The fourth function of scenarios has increased in importance from the seventies onwards and is central to multiple scenario development nowadays, namely, making managers *aware of environmental uncertainties*. Scenario development brings uncertainty into the management process by confronting managers with fundamentally different future states. As uncertainty is a basic structural feature of the business environment nowadays, the better approach is to accept uncertainty, try to understand it and make it part of our reasoning (Bood and Postma, 2008: 7).

The fifth function is that scenarios are seen as ways to *stretch managers' mental models* by explicitly confronting them with their own biased viewpoints. Based on education and experience, amongst other things, managers have developed their own mental models on the basis of which they act. Mental models contain both personal explanations of situations and guidelines for action in these situations. Scenarios aim at challenging managers' existing mental models and entrenched corporate convictions (Millett, 1988: 63). By surfacing and testing mental model scenarios, one facilitates the building of consensus within a management team (Tenaglia and Noonan, 1992: 14).

Finally, and closely related to the foregoing function, scenarios are increasingly considered as tools *to trigger and accelerate processes of organisational learning*. Learning on a strategic level is hindered by both the long time span that elapses between action and result, and cognitive inertia that people demonstrate when absorbing new information and adapting their mental models accordingly. Scenarios are representations of the real world that can serve as transitional objects with which managers can play, and in doing so, learn from considerably faster (Bood and Postma, 2008: 9).

2.9. Scenario development process

Up to this point, the study has discussed the origin, principles and functionality of scenarios. In this section, the discussion concentrates on the process of developing scenarios. Three methodological approaches to scenario development are described below (Zanoli et al., 2000: 12-14).

(i) Intuitive Logic

This approach is linked to strategic management methods and companies' participatory planning processes. The background of this approach is that organisational decisions refer to complex relationships involving economic, social, technological, political and environmental aspects (Postma and Liebl, 2005: 162). In the environmental assessments area, it is referred to as the story and simulation approach (SAS), which combines qualitative and quantitative information (Alcamo, 2001: 16). It consists of two main elements (*storyline and numerical models*). The storyline describes the story, how relevant events unfold in the future, while the model calculations complement the storyline by presenting numerical estimates of future indicators and helping to maintain the consistency of the storyline. Intuitive logic approaches have been used by Wack (1985) from Royal Dutch Shell, Van der Heijden (1996) and Von Reibnitz (1988) in their scenario development processes.

(ii) Trend Impact Analysis

The second approach is an intermediate one between intuitive logic and cross-impact analysis and represents a trade-off between scenario analysis and traditional forecasting methods. Its simplest form is a quantitative statistical forecasting model enriched by qualitative assessments,

which allows for the definition of possible events that might modify the estimated trends. This approach turns out to be effective for at least two reasons: It combines traditional and qualitative forecasting techniques and stimulates analysts, and it expects to take into account possible effects of unusual events. The limitation of this approach is the low degrees of formalisation of the definition and evaluation of the trend impacts (Wolfe and Flores 1990: 392).

(iii) Cross-Impact Analysis

This approach originated from the Delphi method, developed by Gordon and Hayward (1968). The basic concept of cross-impact analysis is that the approach tries to assess conditional probabilities in a highly interconnected system (events are considered as interdependent). It allows the generation of a large number of synthetic future stories that can be considered as basic schemes or frameworks for scenarios. The criticism of this approach stems from Schnaars (1987), who warns that cross-impact analysis should avoid highly mathematically formalised procedures as these might reduce the predictive accuracy and clarity of scenarios.

The wide range of different approaches to scenario development demonstrates that there is as yet no consensus about the best method to use. Each method has its own strengths and weaknesses. Concerning the application of scenario development to the South African table grape industry, the lack of detailed quantitative information about table grapes in the Far Eastern and Middle Eastern markets does not allow the adoption of trend-impact and cross-impact models, as they both require more detailed data. The following segment discusses the scenario development process using the intuitive logic approach as discussed by many authors in scenario-development literature. Various approaches or processes of constructing scenarios can be found in the literature (Godet, 1987; Huss, 1988; Porter, 1985; Schwartz, 1991, and Van der Heijden, 1996). Although scenarios are far from constructed according to some kind of standardised process, and various differences can be observed between the various approaches, they all have the same basic structure (Bood and Postma, 2008: 4 and IDG, 2002: 22). A typical scenario process consists of a series of phases which are, at least intentionally, completed sequentially (Bood and Postma, 2008: 4). These are described in Figure 2

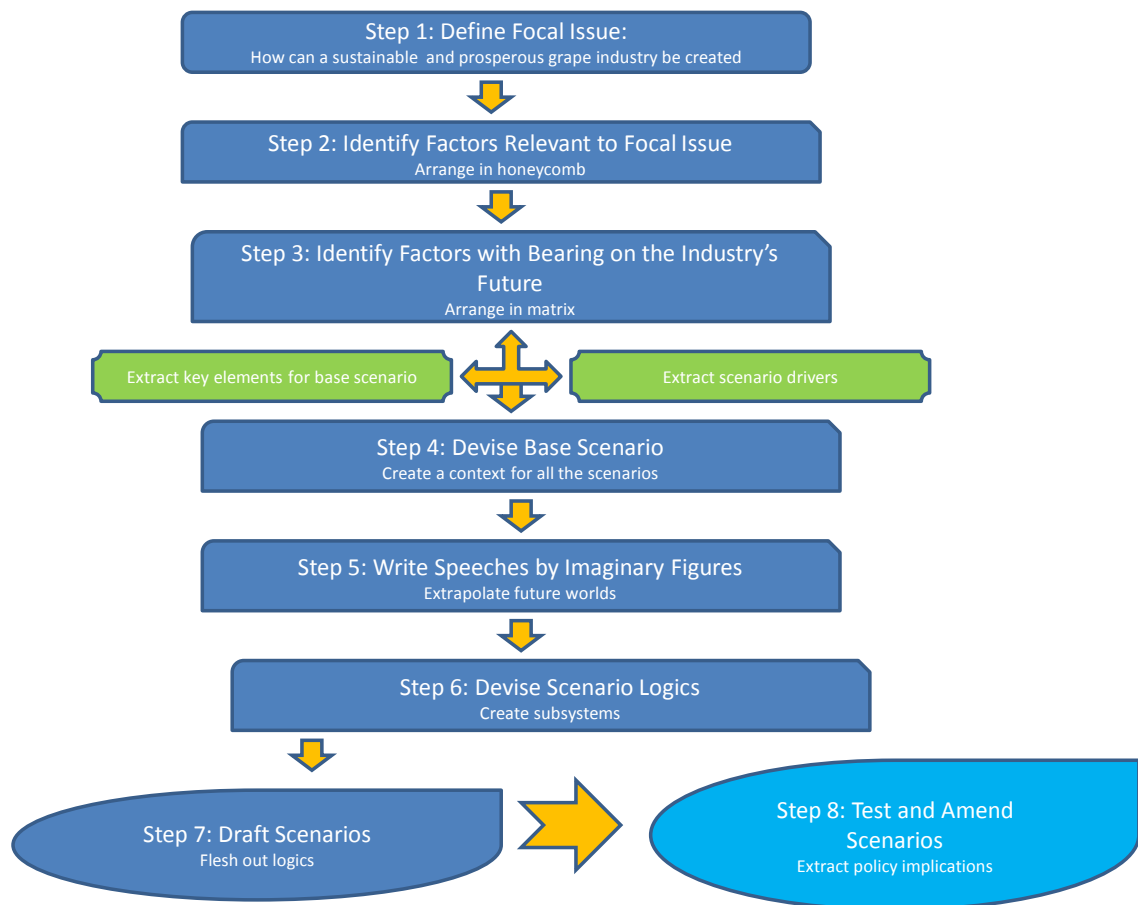


Figure 2: Eight steps of scenario development process

Source: Bood & Postma, 2008: 4-6; Van der Heijden, 1996: 186-193 and IDG, 2002: 22-23

The first step is to define a *focal issue* or a *key decision* that needs to be taken. The second is to *identify key factors or trends* in the local environment that will impact on the issue or decision in step one. The third is to *identify driving forces in the macro environment* that influence the key factors identified earlier. These forces influence the outcome of events, the elements that move the plot of a scenario or determine a story outcome. They are devices for honing the initial judgement, for helping one decide which factors will be significant and which factors will not. After identifying and exploring the driving forces, it must be determined which are predetermined and which are uncertain.

The fourth step is to *rank key factors and driving forces* on the basis of two criteria: (i) the degree of importance to the focal issue or decision, and (ii) the degree of uncertainty surrounding those factors and trends. The aim of the cross-impact matrix is to identify the two or three factors or trends that are most important and most uncertain.

The fifth step is to *write the story and extrapolate future worlds*. These are stories that describe how the driving forces might plausibly behave, based on how those forces have behaved in the past. The sixth step is to *devise scenario logics*. Each key factor and trend should be given some extra attention in each scenario and then the pieces should be woven together in the form of a narrative. The objective of this step is to determine what event might be necessary to make the end point of the scenario plausible. The seventh step is to *draft scenarios*. Once the scenarios have been developed in some detail, it is time to return to the focal issue or decision identified in step one. In this phase, the aim is to reveal the vulnerabilities of the scenarios and determine how a strategy could be adapted to make it more robust if the desired scenarios show signs of not happening.

The eighth and final step of scenario development is *to select leading indicators and signposts*. If those indicators are selected carefully and imaginatively, the company or organisation concerned will be more flexible and receptive to the future. There are two considerations that should be noticed if one is developing the scenarios: (i) Beware of ending up with three scenarios. People not familiar with scenarios or their use will be tempted to identify one of the three as a middle or most likely scenario, and will then treat it as a single-point forecast. (ii) Avoid assigning probabilities to different scenarios because of the temptation to consider seriously only the scenario with the highest probability (Bood and Postma, 2008: 6 and IDG, 2002: 23)

2.10. Criteria for the evaluation of scenarios

Scenarios cannot be evaluated on the basis of their predictive accuracy, as the probability of a single scenario happening completely is close to zero (Van der Heijden, 1996: 15). As a general criterion, ‘credibility’ can be used in order to evaluate scenarios, which can be considered to have four major strictly interlinked determinants (Zanoli et al., 2000: 6-7).

(i) Comprehensiveness

The scenario should be able to take into account all relevant events and trends. General and comprehensive scenarios make the analysis plausible.

(ii) Clarity

This depends mainly on three factors. The first is the balance between simplicity and realism. The second is the unbiasedness of procedures translating subjective assessments into objective, generally acceptable statements. The third factor is the complexity of computing algorithms (if these are too complicated, decision makers and role players might dislike scenarios).

(iii) Consistency

This concerns the validity of the basic information set and how it has been used, specifically with regard to the cause-effect relationship among variables. Nevertheless, too much emphasis on consistency may favour the elimination of scenarios that look inconsistent only because they present innovative situations.

(iv) Coherence

A scenario is coherent if it does not violate the basic rules and assumptions of the theory upon which it is based. For instance, a model using probability assessment might have coherence problems if it is generated without respecting basic probability theory rules. Coherence is a fundamental requirement, because it provides the conceptual basis for the interpretation of results and favours using scenario techniques with a sound theoretical framework.

2.11. Pitfalls of scenario development

Many academics and practitioners acknowledge that scenarios are effective in dealing with uncertainties. However, managers are nowadays confronted with totally new and entirely unanticipated situations that are indicative of blind spots inherent in this method (Liebl, 2002: 175 and Bohensky et al., 2006: 1051). The scenario approach, as it is commonly practised, is not able to deal with complex developments and trends, which can be characterised as paradoxical, because they tend to be systematically excluded as logically impossible or inconsistent during the scenario development process. This is particularly true for conventional and trend-based scenarios based on simple causalities and mere extrapolation of the past and the present to the future. They cannot deal well with these kinds of complex trends, which used to be an exception but have now become a rule. Complexity is growing, causality relationships may be ambiguous and changes are speeding up with severe consequences (Postma & Liebl, 2005: 162). The socio-political and cultural environment turn out to be particularly unpredictable, public issues emerge

as total surprises and companies are faced with the simultaneity of trends and countertrends. In these situations, scenarios offer little help because uncertainties are surpassed by unknowables, indicated in the diagram in Figure 3, below, as the area where only ‘hope’ may be helpful (Postma & Liebl, 2005: 166).

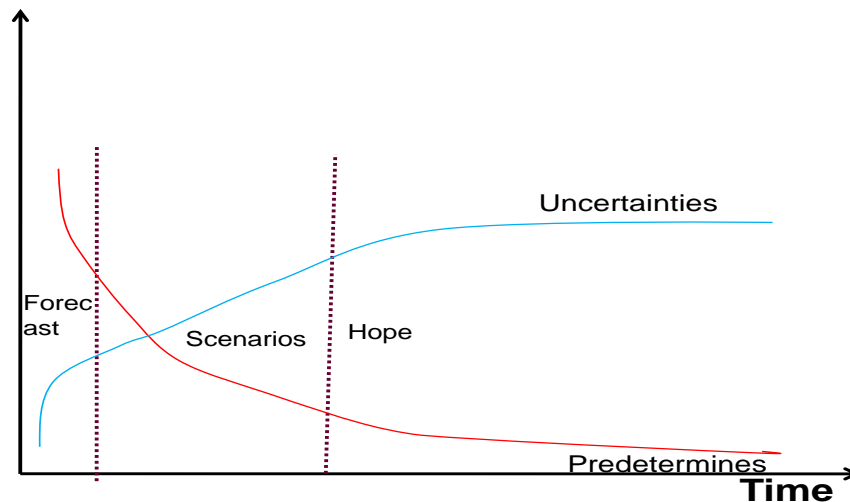


Figure 3: Forecasting, scenarios and hope

Source: Postma and Liebl, 2005: 166

The first issue, that of unknowables, is related to the idea that the scenario approach has to deal with what is known and what is not known in order to provide relevant information for early warning purposes (Postma and Liebl, 2005: 166). Scenarios aim at predeterminables and uncertainties. The existence of predeterminables is based on the assumption that the alternative future outcomes of events and developments and their probabilities are *a priori* known; in case of uncertainties, the outcomes are known, but not their probabilities. For unknowables, even the outcomes are not known. Moreover, these unknowables cannot, by definition, be forecasted, and therefore, form the ultimate challenge because they could become relevant for decision makers.

This growing problem was brought to management attention by Ansoff (1976), who distinguished between ‘uncertainties’ and ‘ignorance’ with respect to future developments, and emphasised the role of the latter with respect to strategic discontinuities (Postma and Liebl, 2005: 166). This has severe implications for the kind of information that has to be processed in

strategy formulation, resulting in specific requirements for scenario building. The classification of Schoemaker (1995) can be helpful to illustrate what Postma and Liebl (2005) mean here. The relevant future knowledge can be discussed by distinguishing between three classes of knowledge:

1. Things we know we know
2. Things we know we do not know
3. Things we do not know we do not know

Knowledge of type 1 is evident. Scenario development is especially helpful at supporting knowledge development of type 2. The main challenge is to transform knowledge of type 3 into knowledge of type 2. Scenario development should be more receptive of and oriented towards exploring and discussing these inconceivable elements. Otherwise, the requirements for a true early warning function would not be met (Postma and Liebl, 2005: 167).

The second issue indicates that scenarios do not prevent management from being surprised. Companies are regularly confronted with entirely unanticipated situations. Thus, although scenario development does not mean forecasting and nobody would seriously claim that scenarios should predict the future in exact detail, it is striking how often situations occur that were simply not included, or were excluded as logically impossible or inconsistent during the process of scenario development (Postma and Liebl, 2005: 167). Scenarios cannot deal with inconsistency, especially when the future (or even current) situation does not lie within the corridor of the various extreme but consistent forecasts, but rather lies beyond it and reveals different dimensions in surprising combinations. If scenarios cannot deal with the element of inconsistency, serious problems in strategic decision making could result (Liebl, 2002: 183).

2.12. Scenario development in agricultural sector

A literature review on scenarios suggest that scenario planning in the agricultural sector has been underutilized as compared to oil, finance and air-force sectors. The application of scenario planning in the agricultural sector has increase significantly over the last two decades, boosted by the changes in climate, consumer preferences and market conditions. Scenarios has been also widely used in environmental studies (i.e. land use) to enhance environmental quality, thus

improving water quality, creating greater biodiversity and rural development. The following sections present examples of case studies conducted using scenario development.

1. Scenario development has been used as tool to examine the future of the Corn Belt in the Mississippi River (US) agricultural landscape (Nassauer et al., 2007: 41). They argue that current agricultural practices in the Corn Belt do not enhance environmental quality. They describe the need for alternative agricultural land uses and practices throughout the Mississippi River Basin (MRB). Three scenarios were created, which depict agricultural practices in the MRB by 2025. The scenarios are intended to anticipate and envision the possibility of a future that could be surprisingly different from the present. One of the reasons to consider such surprising futures is that the Corn Belt agricultural landscape has changed in many unanticipated and not always desirable ways, because of the cumulative effects of environmental practices such as hypoxia, degraded local water quality and dramatic losses of biodiversity.

The three scenarios are: (i) Increasing agricultural commodity production: The main goal of this scenario is to increase commodity production over the short term, where primary crops are assumed to be corn and soya beans. The scenario encourages cultivation of all highly productive land and the use of conventional technologies and inputs. Consequently, by 2025, all highly productive farm land will have been converted to row crops. (ii) Improving water quality and reducing downstream flooding: This scenario encourages comprehensive adoption of innovative practices to improve water quality and hydrologic regimes. In this scenario, more farmers will occupy the Corn Belt in 2025 compared with the other scenarios, because farmers are needed to manage livestock in rotational grazing. This scenario creates an appealing landscape that attracts tourists, hunters, telecommuters, retirees and second-home owners. The local population and local services, schools and churches that existed in the early 2000s will have increased and broadened by 2025. (iii) Enhancing biodiversity within agricultural landscapes: The goal of this scenario is to enhance biodiversity in the context of agricultural production. As a means of achieving that goal, perennial grasses are grown for market enterprises. Native perennials are integral to a new system of Corn Belt bio-reserves.

2. OECD developed a variety of scenarios depicting different futures around food scarcity. In their 2001 publication, *Environmental Outlook by 2020*, they presented different scenarios. In the scenario labelled *Reference Scenario*, which is driven by factors such as demographics, socio-cultural influences, consumer incomes, technological developments, governmental policies, product prices, trade liberalisation and environmental policies, interesting aspects are discussed. This scenario reveals that food available worldwide for direct human consumption (after accounting for non-food uses and losses) has risen dramatically over the last 20 years and is expected to increase by 10% by 2020, reaching, on average, 3 000 kcal/person/day (OECD, 2001: 86). In monetary terms, worldwide agricultural production is expected to grow by 94% between 1995 and 2020, while in OECD regions, it may increase by almost 40% in the same period (OECD, 2001: 87).

3. In recent years, bioenergy has drawn attention as a sustainable energy source that may help cope with rising energy prices, but also provide income to poor farmers and rural communities around the globe. Scenario development has been adopted to examine the potentially adverse impacts from a rapid bioenergy expansion to include upward pressure on international food prices, making staple crops less affordable for poor consumers (Msangi et al., 2007: 1). Given the numerous and high levels of uncertainty regarding future biofuel supply, demand and technologies, three alternative scenarios were examined: (i) **conventional scenario**, which focuses on rapid global growth in biofuel production under conventional conversion technologies; (ii) **second-generation scenario**, which incorporates a softening of demand on food crops due to second-generation, lingo cellulosic technologies coming online; and (iii) **second generation plus scenario**, which adds crop productivity improvements to the second-generation scenario. Dramatic increases in world prices for feedstock crops by 2020 are expected. The highest price impacts are seen for oil and sugar crops, followed by staple crops. Under the conventional scenario, with aggressive demand for biofuel feedstock from traditional food and sugar crops, the number of malnourished children increases by 11 million, with the largest absolute increase in sub-Saharan Africa, followed by South Asia (Msangi et al., 2007: 8).

4. Scenarios as long-range planning tools have been used by organisations such as the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) to promote efficient use of water. In their 2006 publication, *Business in the world of water: Scenarios to 2025*, they evaluate alternative ways of managing water and examine the impact of water scarcity on business development (see www.wbcsd.org).

Other global organisations that have practised scenario planning include the World Economic Forum (WEF), Global Insight and the United Nations (UN). In 2008, WEF created a number of scenarios to identify critical issues facing the world. Their scenarios incorporated the effect of rising global population, urbanisation in emerging countries, improving technology, and changing climate in the global economy (WEF, 2008: 3). Some of the scenarios created by WEF in 2008 include the Hyperlinked World Scenario: The hyperlinked world of 2025 is a world of possibilities. Advancements in physical, technological and cyber infrastructure cause communication costs to drop sharply while people, businesses and governments experience a great leap forward in their degree of interconnectedness. The global order in 2025 is governed by networks, communities and interest groups. The Sustainable World Scenario: The sustainable world of 2025 is a world dealing with a soaring population, rapid urbanisation and ongoing climate change problems. Water and food scarcities lead to new pockets of instability and force a major global response to emerge into a new sustainable order of politics and business. The emergence of a planet-wide consciousness of the environment forces businesses and governments to adopt new policies of corporate global citizenship and sustainability. The Multipolar World: In the multipolar world of 2025, the epicentre of the global economy is in the East. New centres of power, fuelled by strong growth, emerge, while global energy demand places oil exporters under pressure. The trade and investment environment focuses on the new Asian powers that play an increasingly assertive role in international politics. The Middle East is engulfed in a geopolitical competition for influence, power and ideas.

2.13. Scenario development in South African agriculture

Scenario development has been used in South African agriculture. The following sections represent the cases where scenario development has been practised.

1. The Department of Agriculture and the Department of Science and Technology have formulated an agricultural and agroprocessing sector working group. The working group has developed numerous scenarios with a mandate to ensure that future opportunities presented by research and technology will address the social and economic challenges South Africa faces with regard to the performance of the agricultural and agroprocessing sector. These scenarios help the human mind to at least recognise the possibilities of change in the socioeconomic environment of the country.

A set of four macro scenarios depicting four possible roads South Africa could take to 2020 are presented below (Van Zyl, 2007: 30): (i) *The frozen revolution* highlights the effect of non-implementation of government policy on socioeconomic upliftment, leaving the masses dissatisfied and key players fragmented and individually focused; (ii) *The innovation hub* describes how South Africa's comparatively developed infrastructure creates opportunities for strategic regional development; (iii) *The global home* is about government embracing global liberalisation and facilitating private-sector empowerment to respond to global market forces, in line with global trends and opportunities; and (iv) *Our way is the way* depicts South Africa's perceived ability to challenge the conventional route to globalisation by rallying developing countries' support for the development of a significant South-South economic bloc.

2. The Institute for Global Dialogue (IDG) and the South African office of the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES) of Bonn developed five scenarios in response to the challenges facing the country and the region (i.e. its multilateral institutions, notably the Southern African Development Community – SADC). The scenarios aim to address various international and domestic factors such as globalisation, trade negotiations, conflict and instability in the region, poverty, HIV/AIDS and growing climatic disturbances (IDG, 2002: 13). The five scenarios include: (i) *Baseline scenario*, which presents key trends in the region, in the economic, social and environmental spheres, by 2020. The baseline scenario indicates that by 2020, with the effect of HIV/AIDS, population growth is outstripping economic growth in numerous countries within the SADC region. As a

result, there are high and increasing levels of poverty in the region. This, combined with unequal development, is leading to large and growing disparities of wealth. There are some positive factors (i.e. privatisation is boosting infrastructure and financial volatility will probably diminish), but these are far outweighed by the former trends (IDG, 2002: 29).

The other scenarios include (ii) *danger scenario*, which is driven by conflict and a rapidly deteriorating security situation; (iii) *regional renaissance scenario*, which is driven by visionary leaders; (iv) *the slow slide scenario* driven by socio-political decay; and (v) *market madness*, which is driven by globalisation. These scenarios show that in the year 2020, most countries and their economies are controlled by wealthy elites. While most countries in the region are democracies, levels of popular participation in formal democratic institutions are low, and as a result, the poor are dominated by the elites. Even while economic growth rates are high, there is little or no employment growth, big businesses make big profit, but the majority of people are poor and survive in the informal economy. Economic growth is also occurring at the cost of the environment.

3. In 1997, a study was conducted to examine the environmental trends in the Southern African region and develop environmental scenarios to the year 2015, and relate these to socioeconomic and geopolitical factors. One of the scenarios developed is **the doomsday scenario – the road to unsustainability**. In this scenario, it is assumed that most, if not all negative trends in the region will not only continue, but will worsen and accelerate. Some trends (e.g. population growth) have in-built momentum. In these circumstances, it was postulated that serious environmental consequences would ensue and would ultimately lead to a nightmare scenario with widespread conflict, extensive environmental degradation and human misery. This road to unsustainability would be driven by a variety of factors: economic stagnation and decline, worsening poverty, rapid population growth, HIV/AIDS and rapid increases in the rate of urbanisation as a result of refugees.
4. In recent years, scenario development has gained more popularity in the South African agricultural sector. The establishment of the

(BFAP) in 2004 has lead to active usage of scenarios in the agricultural sector. BFAP is an independent research unit involving the University of Pretoria, the University of Stellenbosch, and the Department of Agriculture in the Western Cape, as well as the Food and Agricultural Policy Research Institute (FAPRI) and associate organisations. Their main objectives are (see www.bfap.co.za)

- to facilitate informed decision-making by South African policy makers, agribusinesses, trade negotiators and farmers through improved analytical capabilities;
- to enhance the quality and quantity of applied disciplinary and cross-institutional research related to applied trade and policy modelling and commodity market analysis;
- to analyse future policy and market scenarios and measure the impact of these on farm and firm profitability.

BFAP sees the purpose of using the scenarios as firstly to understand the key drivers and uncertainties shaping agricultural markets and policies. By understanding these shaping forces, BFAP is in a better position to inform decision makers in both the private and public sectors with regard to strategic business decisions and policies. Secondly, the scenario results are used to improve and enhance the system of models that is used by BFAP to do market and policy analysis. This is done by adjusting the model structures on a proactive basis in order to ‘keep up with reality’, as learnt through the scenario development process (BFAP website, 2009). The BFAP develops different scenarios across the South African agricultural sector and publishes them in its annual publication, *BFAP Baseline Report*.

2.14. Conclusions

This chapter presented a literature review on scenario development. It was shown that the primary advantage of scenarios is their ability to represent the views of several stakeholders and their expectations at the same time. Secondly, better than any other future-orientated tool, scenarios offer the possibility of integrating various kinds of data in a consistent manner. Besides quantitative data, scenarios can handle qualitative input. It is these qualities or advantages that

have resulted in the adoption of scenario development in this study. This study uses the intuitive logic approach to develop export market diversification scenarios for the table grape industry.

CHAPTER 3

BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON FARM MODELLING AND SIMULATION

3.1. Introduction

Table grape farms in South Africa operate in a fast moving and constantly changing decision-making environment. The environments in which farms operate have become increasingly complex due to significant changes that have taken place over the past decade. Due to the increased complexity, the systems theory or approach was adopted in the agricultural economics field to improve research and practical problem-solving in order to improve the decision-making process (Strauss, 2005: 20). This chapter aims to provide background information on farm modelling and simulations that are used to enhance decision making in agriculture.

3.2. Definition of modelling and simulation

Various definitions and methods of modelling and simulation exist in the literature. Modelling and simulation are defined as follows: **Modelling** is *building a representation of a system*, while **simulation** is *experimentation with the represented system by means of a model* (Strauss, 2005: 12 and Johnson et al., 1977: 162). Simulation, therefore, implies an experiment in which the objective is to represent or reproduce the relationship between objects or persons in a real-world system and predict the likely behaviour or responses of these objects or persons in the specific system (Csaki, 1976: 25).

3.3. The process of simulation

In natural science, simulation is most often done by means of a physical model, but in the case of economics, it is virtually impossible to build a physical model for experimental purposes. The reason is that there are too many variables, mainly social, that influence the economic system significantly and which cannot be captured in a physical economic model (Strauss, 2005: 12). In agriculture, many experiments are conducted by means of a physical model in the case of biology or agronomy, but in agricultural economics, most are conducted by means of computer models. The reason for the usage of computer models is the same as in the case of economics (Strauss, 2005: 13).

Since the main objective of simulation is to describe reality as realistically as possible, many different approaches to simulating agricultural problems exist. However, the logic of simulating agricultural systems remains similar, as explained in the diagram (Figure 4) below.

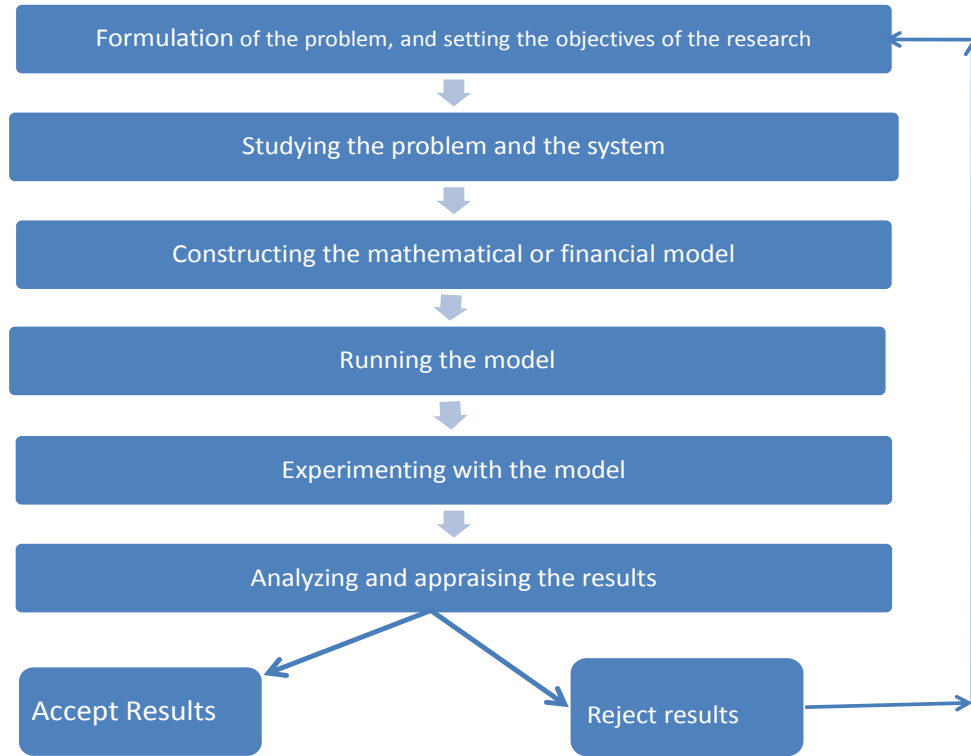


Figure 4: The order of implementation of simulating economic problems

Source: Csaki, 1976: 36 and Strauss, 2005: 13

3.4. Farm simulation models: type and purpose of modelling

The type of farm simulation model to be used depends on the type of system being modelled and the purpose of modelling or simulating the system (Johnson et al., 1977: 166). The literature distinguishes and discusses two basic types of models, namely deterministic and stochastic models (Strauss, 2005: 14-15; Richardson, 2003 and Johnson et al., 1977: 171).

The deterministic models are models in which the probabilities of the different values of the models' variables are one, and in which the system relationships are constant. The output of a deterministic model is therefore definite. The deterministic models do not incorporate risk

because of the fixed nature of the variables' values and interrelationships in the system. Consequently, deterministic models are used to simulate specific outcomes, given a set of specified inputs.

The stochastic models contain random variables and relationships, and therefore, the output of the model consists of random elements or probability distributions. The stochastic simulation models incorporate risk by assigning a probability distribution to specific exogenous and endogenous variables. Key output variables are simulated and represented by probability and cumulative distributions. The probability and cumulative distribution functions are used to quantify and compare the risks associated with different scenarios and decisions.

3.5. Farm simulation models: approaches of simulation

There are two basic approaches to simulating farm models, namely a normative approach and a positive approach. The normative approach implies optimising a system or attempting to quantify 'what must happen' to the system, while the positive approach implies describing a system or attempting to quantify 'what is likely' to happen to the system.

3.5.1. The normative approach

The literature indicates that a number of methods have been developed and used when following a normative approach to farm simulation. Included in these methods are (i) mathematical programming, (ii) production functions, (iii) input-output analysis and (iv) network analysis (Csaki, 1976: 22 and Strauss, 2005: 16). The mathematical programming models, in general, consist of mathematical relationships and constraints that are solved in order to calculate an optimal solution to a system given a set of constraints. In other words, the answers that are obtained are normative answers or 'what must be' answers (Richardson, 2003 and Strauss, 2005: 16). In the 1970s, mathematical programming developed in order to apply it to problems to reflect reality to a greater extent. Types of models that were developed include (i) the linear dynamic model, (ii) the integer model and (iii) the non-linear programming model.

The purpose of the input-output model is to present the system modelled as closely as possible, without explaining the internal relationship between the system's elements in detail. The focus of

an input-output model is thus on the results of the model, given a set of inputs, and how closely these results represent the real outputs of the system being modelled.

The analytical methods of mathematical programming, production function and input-output analysis have shortcomings regarding certain practical and theoretical problems. The input-output model, in its most general form, disregards time as a factor and therefore assumes that relationships and changes in relationships take place at a given moment. Furthermore, although analytical methods have resulted in considerable advancement of traditional logical calculation procedures, the optimising nature of these methods has certain shortcomings regarding certain problems, since it is not always possible to describe some problems analytically or calculate an optimal solution for an analytical problem (Csaki, 1976: 23).

3.5.2. The positive approach

When the positive approach is followed, farm-level simulation models, in general, consist of statistical relationships as estimated from historical data, as well as accounting identities that are used to simulate a system in order to find positive answers to ‘what the likely outcome of the system is’. Basing the system’s interrelationships on actual historical behaviour and then making assumptions about the stability of interrelationships in future therefore bases this approach on the argument of attempting to reflect reality as realistically as possible (Strauss, 2005: 18). There are several advantages and disadvantages to using positive models instead of mathematical programming models. The main advantage of the positive models is that they are ‘run’ rather than ‘solved’, which implies that the operation and further development of the model is done by means of intensively studying the system through the model and making adjustments to represent the system even more realistically.

The main shortcoming of positive simulation models is the fact that no single optimum solution is obtainable from a typical simulation model. Therefore, all simulations run by such a model are subjective, since the researcher decides on the different alternative options to be simulated (Louw, 1979: 64).

3.6. Conclusions

This chapter has discussed different types of simulation as well as different approaches that can be followed under each model type. The purpose of this study is to develop a tool that will enhance the understanding of the table grape industry under different scenarios; therefore, a descriptive model should be constructed. Furthermore, the model and simulation results will be applied in terms of answering questions to ‘what if’ scenarios; therefore, the model should be oriented towards behavioural variability. From this, it can be concluded that a deterministic type of model will be built, following a positivistic approach that is based on actual behavioural trends as estimated from actual farm-level data.

CHAPTER 4

METHODOLOGY

4.1. Introduction

SATI's new strategy for the table grape industry embodies the industry's desire to expand its export share to the emerging Eastern markets. The adequately diversified export markets are expected to have various benefits for table grape producers, including new trade opportunities due to the opening of alternate markets for table grape producers, increased returns due to properly supplied traditional and emerging markets (i.e. released pressure in traditional markets and consequently relatively stable prices), and enhanced industry growth because of an increasing need to supply both traditional and emerging markets.

In 2008, SATI conducted a survey on table grape producers and exporters to obtain their views about the new industry strategy. The survey findings were presented at a strategic workshop held on 25 August 2008. The survey results indicate that despite the well-known benefits that come with better market diversification, table grape industry stakeholders have different views on the new strategy. These different views can be categorised into three groups: (i) those who fully support the new strategy and believe it must be implemented immediately; (ii) those who partially support the new strategy but think it must not be an immediate action; and (iii) those who think the industry should continue with the current industry's export market distribution. The views of the last two groups are caused by various factors such as lack of understanding of emerging markets, resistance to change (risk aversion) and business models that are only suitable for traditional markets (i.e. comfort zone in traditional markets).

It is the existence of these different views that motivated this study. The study aims to investigate the viability of specific export-market diversification scenarios. Scenario development was selected as the appropriate planning tool to assist table grape industry stakeholders to enhance their understanding of the table grape industry under different scenarios. Furthermore, the study uses a deterministic farm-level model as a tool for simulating and analysing the impact of market changes on the financial viability of farms under different scenarios.

4.2. Study method

Adapting from the methods of well-known scenario practitioners such as Schwartz (1991), Wack (1985) and Van der Heijden (1996), and also drawing on the previous South African scenario development exercises of Van Zyl (2007), the BFAP (2008) and the IDG (2002), the scenarios were evolved in several stages (see Figure 2 in Chapter 2). Firstly, in consultation with South African table grape industry stakeholders, a focal issue taken as the research question to be addressed was defined as follows:

Given the current market situation where traditional markets show signs of becoming saturated due to growing supply by other southern hemisphere countries, what is the potential impact on the industry if the export volumes are to be relocated from traditional to emerging markets, and what would happen if the industry maintained the current market distribution?

The focal issue was then discussed with the industry leaders (executive director and chairman of the South African table grape industry – SATI leaders at the time of consultation) and examined to ascertain if it was in line with the industry's vision and priorities. The time frame was then set, based on the industry's strategy to facilitate the market diversification process over the next twenty years (SATI, 2008: Industry Strategy).

Secondly, a number of factors relevant to the focal issue were identified. The factors relevant to creating a stable and prosperous table grape industry include: (i) sustainable viticulture practices (i.e. cultivar innovation, environment, labour management and efficient use of farm resources); (ii) industry transformation/empowerment; (iii) improved food security and quality standards; (iv) quality industry information (intelligence); (v) industry defragmentation (develop Fruit SA brand); (vi) economic and population growth (domestic and international); (vii) globalisation and urbanisation; (viii) trade policies (market access and non-tariff measures – protocols); (ix) energy crises (i.e. shipping costs and carbon foot print); (x) rising export volumes from the southern hemisphere (grape volumes and price trends) and (xi) innovative packaging to increase comparative advantage.

Thirdly, the factors identified in step two were evaluated and classified either as positive (*stimulate prosperous grape industry*) or negative (*deemed to be a barrier to the grape industry's future*). These were arranged in a matrix of high/low impact and

predictable/unpredictable factors. Factors deemed to have a high impact as well as being highly unpredictable were adopted as driving forces for the scenarios. Four driving forces (grape prices and exporters' attitudes to focusing on Eastern markets, globalisation, rising export volumes from southern hemisphere countries and industry intelligence information) were identified in this way, and in order to deal with these driving forces in a manageable manner, they were divided into two clusters (see Figure 4, below). The matrix diagram below graphically presents the two clusters deemed highly unpredictable.

At this stage, it was clear that the study would have three scenarios in order to accommodate the views of different industry stakeholders: (i) **Scenario 1**, which is driven by current trends and presents the continuation of current market conditions (i.e. 85% of South African exports is marketed in Europe and the other 15% is distributed to other global markets); (ii) **Scenario 2A**, which is driven by globalisation, product differentiation and grape prices. Under this scenario export volumes are slowly redistributed to emerging markets. The target is to export 60% of South African volumes to the EU and 40% to other global markets by the 2020 season; and (iii) **Scenario 2B**, which is driven by rising export volumes, declining grape prices, exporters' positive attitudes to change, stringent quality and food safety regulations and improving industry information. Under this scenario, where export volumes are redistributed to emerging markets at a faster rate compared with Scenario 2A, it takes nine years to achieve the targeted volume distribution, which is 60% to the EU and 40% to other global markets.

The literature on scenarios warns against developing three scenarios, as people often tend to then select the middle one, and treat it as a single-point forecast (Bood and Postma, 2008: 6). This study develop two scenarios which is Scenario 1 and Scenario 2A that depict the inadequately and adequately diversified market situations respectively. The third scenario (i.e. Scenario 2B) evaluates the time factor on market diversification process, however this particular scenario remain similar to Scenario 2A in terms of purpose, characteristics and driving forces.

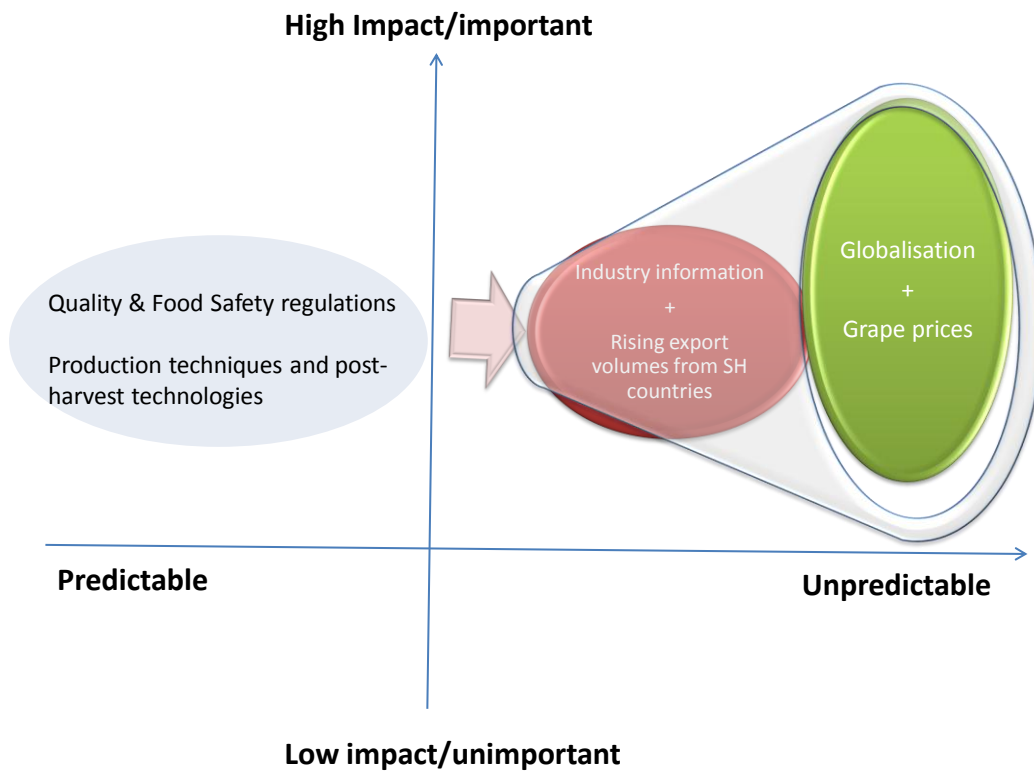


Figure 5: The basic matrix

Source: Author

The next step was to extrapolate ‘future worlds’ from both existing data and previous studies in an attempt to understand international markets (see chapter 6: market descriptions). In this phase, driving forces and other pertinent factors were brought into play in a more rigorous manner. This enabled stakeholders to understand the differences between traditional markets and emerging markets. The Eastern markets are economically, psychologically, environmentally and socially different from the traditional markets, and therefore, gaining an improved understanding of these differences is be a key tool in enhancing the stakeholders’ capacity to supply these markets successfully.

For scenarios to be effective, they have to change stakeholders’ view of reality. The seventh chapter quantifies these driving forces and expresses their influence in numerical terms. The positivistic farm-level model was used to evaluate the impact of changes in markets on farms under different scenarios.

4.3. Models used to determine farm profitability

In chapter two, background information on farm-level modelling and simulation was discussed. The models are built to determine the impact of changes in the markets on the financial viability of farms. This study adopts a deterministic model type in which the probabilities of the different model variables' values are one, and in which the system relationships are constant. The deterministic type of model was built, following a positivistic approach based on actual behavioural trends as estimated from actual historical farm-level data. The models and their simulated results should complement the storyline component discussed in chapter six by presenting numerical estimates of future indicators and helping to maintain the consistency of the storyline of each scenario.

4.3.1. Farm-level model

The farm-level model is a multi-period financial model that is built based on accounting principles. The objective of this farm-level model is to simulate and analyse the impact of changes in markets on the financial viability of the farms under different scenarios, in other words, to determine the profitability of farms under each scenario. The model is designed to be sensitive to market changes (e.g. cultivar demand changes); therefore, it has some adaptability elements for certain production parameters, such as establishment costs, production yield and planting material.

4.3.1.1. Descriptions of typical farms used in the models

The main reason for using a typical farm structure instead of an average farm structure is that a typical farm structure represents a more realistic and practical situation, while an average farm is difficult to find in a real world and does not reflect the realistic farming situation. The statistical evidence (i.e. SATI vine census conducted in 2007 and 2008) and forum discussions with table grape producers from different regions suggest that a typical farm in the Northern region is different from a typical farm in the Western Cape region. The main differences are (i) climatic conditions and soil characteristics that lead to different harvesting periods, and consequently different farm prices; (ii) production cost structures and production tactics. These differences resulted in the adoption of two typical farms in this study, one farm representing a typical table grape farming unit in the Western Cape area; the other reflecting a typical table grape farming

unit in the Northern region. Based on the SATI vine census report (2007 and 2008) and forum discussions with table grape producers conducted in 2009, a typical farm in the Northern region has the following cultivar composition in order of importance: Prime Seedless, Thompson Seedless, Red Globe, Flame Seedless, Crimson Seedless, Moonballs, Black Gem and Midnight Beauty. Typical farm size in the Northern region is 65 hectares, 87% of this being under cultivation of table grapes, with the rest catering for roads, houses, storage and pack houses.

A typical farm in the Western Cape areas has the following cultivar composition in order of importance: Dauphine, Sugraone, Barlinka, Thompson Seedless, Red Globe, Crimson Seedless, Victoria, Sunred Seedless, La Rochelle, Autumn Royal, Midnight Beauty and Alpha Red. Typical farm size in the Western Cape is 46 hectares, 85% of this being under cultivation of table grapes, with the rest catering for roads, houses, storage and pack houses. The Western Cape farm represents three table grape production regions, namely Berg River, Olifants River and Hex River, while the Northern region farm represents the Orange River and Northern Province regions (see Annexure A for the typical Western Cape farm and Annexure B for the typical Northern region farm).

4.3.1.2. Type of data used and data collection process

Like other fruit sectors in South Africa, the table grape industry lacks credible historical data due to the industry fragmentation process that occurred after market deregulation in 1997. In 2005, the table grape industry started to restore the credibility of industry data by prioritising the collection and monitoring of it (e.g. production and export trends, production costs and grape prices).

The models require various types of data, including (i) production and export time-series data; (ii) directly and indirectly allocatable production costs at the farm level; (iii) vine establishment costs at the farm level, and (iv) grape price time-series data. The production and export data was sourced from PPECB (Perishable Product Export Control Board) and SATI, as they were in charge of monitoring and managing table grape production and export data since deregulation. The production costs (e.g. directly and indirectly allocatable costs) and grape price data were sourced from Frudata, a consulting company that monitors production costs and grape price changes across the industry. The grape price data was then discussed with various table grape exporting companies to verify its credibility. The same was done for production cost data for the various table grape producers from all five production regions,.

With regard to future table grape prices, production costs and export quantity data, the historical data from PPECB, Frudata and SATI was then processed to provide extrapolations. The results were discussed with various industry experts (including exporting companies, chemical companies, producers and industry consultants from commercial banks). Their opinions about how they saw the industry in the next 20 years were then incorporated into the extrapolations. The modified extrapolations were then sent back to the industry experts for review, and they were requested to inform the author about whether they thought the extrapolations provided realistic projections of the future. The final result was analysed to evaluate and identify any discrepancies. The data provided in Annexure A and Annexure B represent a true reflection of data collected for the Western Cape and Northern region farms respectively.

4.3.1.3. Assumptions in the farm-level model

The farm-level model is calculated over a 20-year period (i.e. multi-period financial budgeting) to accommodate the replacement process of less-profitable cultivars for the Eastern markets with new popular cultivars that are in high demand in both Eastern and European markets. The lengthy period also allows the model to evaluate the benefits (e.g. high expected export price) that emerge from producing and exporting popular cultivars with the desired characteristics.

The hypothesis for this study is to develop a financial model based on accounting principles, and the model should be sensitive to changes in market demand trends in order to evaluate the profitability of farms under various scenarios (e.g. it must show the effect of replacing low-demand cultivars with new highly popular cultivars). With this in mind, assumptions were made that all farm cultivars are established at once (i.e. year one), and the number of hectares under production on each farm remains constant for the entire 20-year period. This means that on the Western Cape farm, 39 hectares are used to produce table grapes, while on the Northern region farm, 57 hectares are used to produce table grapes (see Annexure A: Table 1 for land utilisation per cultivar on the Western Cape farm, and Annexure B: Table 1 for land utilisation per cultivar on the Northern region farm). Furthermore, the assumption was made that under Scenario 1, no replacement will take place, as the industry maintains the current market distribution. Therefore, on both Western Cape and Northern region farms, all cultivars are established in year one and retained for the entire 20-year period.

Under Scenario 2A and 2B, all farms' cultivars are established at once (i.e. year one), and the replacement of cultivars that have low demand or popularity in the Eastern markets are replaced by those cultivars with high demand in both Eastern and European markets. Therefore, this means that even if cultivars are only five years old from the establishment year (which is year one), they will be replaced if they have low demand or popularity in Eastern markets.

To determine the popularity and medium-term potential of cultivars in European and Eastern markets, an export guide from Capespan was used. This export guide evaluates the market potential of cultivars in global markets based on market requirements, consumer characteristics and realised market prices. Based on this export guide and PPECB export trends, it was revealed that Western Cape farm cultivars like Dauphine, Victoria, Alpha Red, Barlinka and La Rochelle are in low demand and are not popular in Eastern markets. However, some of these cultivars are in noticeable market demand in European markets. Therefore, these cultivars will have to be replaced with new cultivars such as Midnight Beauty, Autumn Royal, Crimson Seedless and Sugraone if the industry wishes to expand its export share to Eastern markets .

On the Northern region farm, it was shown that cultivars such as Moonballs, Thompson Seedless and Black Gem have and will continue to be in low demand in Eastern markets. This suggests that Northern region farms should replace these cultivars with new cultivars, such as Prime Seedless, Flame Seedless, Crimson Seedless and Red Globe, with the desired characteristics, if the industry wishes to expand its export volumes to Eastern markets (see Annexure B: Table 2 for cultivar replacement planning on the Northern region farm under Scenario 2A, and 2B).

The cultivar replacement process under Scenario 2A is slow to allow exporters to understand the trends and characteristics of Eastern markets. The effect of replacement costs for each cultivar on the farm is shown using the gross margin, and the positive impact of planting new popular cultivars only becomes noticeable after two years reckoned from the replacement year (see Annexure E for the Western Cape farm, and Annexure F for the Northern region farm under Scenario 2A). Though it is general knowledge, it should be emphasised that with table grape farming, the replacement process only takes one year, meaning unwanted vines are uprooted in March/April and new vines are planted in August/September of the same year. This is different from wine farming, where the replacement process takes up to three years (unwanted vines are uprooted and the land is left unused or planted with vegetables for three years before replanting new vines on the same land).

The replacement process and its impact on the farm's financial viability for Scenario 2B was simulated using the same procedure as for Scenario 2A. The replacement process for Scenario 2B was faster than for Scenario 2A (see Annexure G for the Western Cape farm and Annexure H for the Northern region farm). As for Scenario 2A, the effect of replacement costs of each cultivar on the farm was shown using the gross margin, and the positive impact of planting new popular cultivars only becomes noticeable after two years from the replacement year.

4.3.1.4. Simulation process and structure of the farm-level model

The model is simulated over 20 years, and the data discussed in Section 4.3.1.2, above, was used to feed the model in order for the model to operate. The farm-level model takes into account production yield, realised export price at delivered-in-port (DIP) level, marketing costs, establishment costs, directly allocatable variable costs, indirectly allocatable costs and fixed and intermediate farm capital.

Firstly, the gross margin per cultivar on the farm is calculated individually. Secondly, the model calculates the farm's gross income, which is the sum of gross margins per cultivar on each farm. Thirdly, the impact of indirectly allocatable costs such as labour, electricity and fuel prices were incorporated in the model, and the farm margins, before capital expenditures, were calculated. This was done to determine the farm's returns before including the farm's capital costs. Fourthly, the impact of long-term and intermediate farm capital was incorporated in the model. From these four steps it is possible to calculate farm cash inflow (i.e. gross income) and farm cash outflow (i.e. indirectly allocatable costs and farm capital costs). The net cash flow was then used to calculate the internal rate of return (IRR) and the net present value (NPV). The current inflation and interest rates were sourced from the Reserve Bank and the commercial banks. For the complete structure of a farm model under different scenarios, see Annexure C-H

The IRR is used as a performance indicator for both farms under each scenario. The IRR of an investment is defined as the interest rate at which the costs of the investment lead to the benefits of the investment (Van Zyl et al., 1999: 207). This means that all gains from the investment are inherent in the time value of money and that the investment has a zero net present value at this interest rate. The higher a scenario's IRR, the more desirable it is to implement the scenario. As such, IRR can be used to rank several prospective scenarios for an industry. Assuming all other factors are equal among the various scenarios, the scenario with the highest IRR would probably be considered the best and undertaken first (see Annexure C: Table 1, Annexure D: Table 1,

Annexure E: Table 1, Annexure F: Table 1, Annexure G: Table 1 and Annexure H: Table: 1 for the IRR of each farm for all three scenarios).

4.3.2. Sector model

The farm-level models for the Western Cape and Northern region farms were linked to form a sector model. The general objective of a sector model is to evaluate the effect of changes in market distribution on the table grape industry at large. The sector model quantifies and determines whether the table grape industry value (i.e. the worth of the industry) and export volumes expand under Scenario 2A and 2B, when compared with Scenario 1.

The following diagram (see Figure 6, below) reflects the structure of the sector model. The volumes exported were classified using grading criteria such as percentage of *Class 1*, which represents premium quality, *Class 1.5*, which represents medium quality, and *Class 2*, which represents low quality. The industry export volumes include quantities produced and exported from all five South African production regions.

The weighted average export price for major South African export markets (i.e. Continental EU, UK, Middle East, Far East and Africa) was used in the sector model. The price was captured at a free-on-truck (FOT) level and monitored back to a delivered-in-port (DIP) level. All parameters involved in the fresh supply chain between FOT and DIP levels were identified and quantified. Figure 6, below, shows all export costs that take place when exporting table grapes to various markets and provides an analysis from a market perspective back to the farm level.

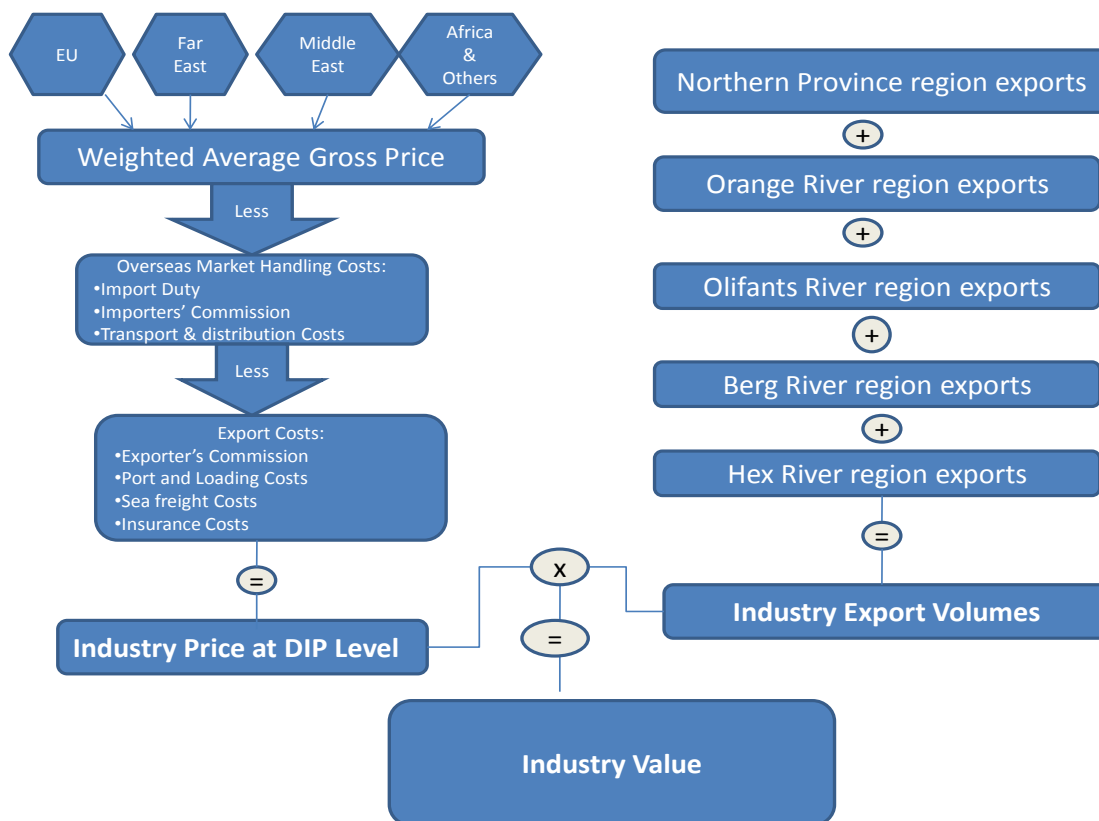


Figure 6: Structure of the sector model for the table grape industry

Source: Own manipulations based on OABS (2007) and Vinpro (2007 and 2008).

The model is calculated over 20 years to accommodate the replacement of old non-profitable cultivars with new popular cultivars, and to monitor the benefits that emerge from producing and exporting popular cultivars (see Annexure I: Tables 1 to 3).

4.4 Conclusions

The study adopted scenario planning as a tool to investigate the viability of expanding South African table grape export volumes to Eastern markets as well as the potential risk of retaining the current market distributions. It uses financial farm-level modelling to determine the profitability of farms under each scenario developed. The financial farm model makes use of the IRR as the farms' performance indicator under each scenario developed. The IRR is used to rank several prospective scenarios, assuming all other factors are equal among the various scenarios. The scenario with the highest IRR would probably be considered the best and undertaken first.

CHAPTER 5

BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON THE SOUTH AFRICAN TABLE GRAPE INDUSTRY

5.1. Introduction

From its birth in the 1880s, the South African table grape industry has become an important contributor to the South African economy, both directly, through foreign earnings from this predominantly export-based industry, and indirectly through the creation of employment. The first table grape variety (Muscat d` Alexander) was planted in the Hex River Valley, (Robertson area) and was the first grape variety to be exported from South Africa to the UK in 1886 (Burger, 2002: 18). In 1890, Percy Alport Molteno, the manager of Castle shipping company, and his brother decided to establish the export company, Cape Fruit Syndicate in Cape Town (Burger, 2002: 18). In June 1892, Cape Fruit Syndicate had already exported 2100 cartons of table grapes, 6 000 cartons of apples and a single carton of pears. In 1892, Leicester Dicey, Fred Strulen and Percy Malleson established the Cape Orchard Company in the Hex River Valley, buying fruit from Hex River producers (Burger, 2002: 18).

The deciduous fruit industry attained its first success in 1892, though its knowledge of the right kinds of cultivars, the most suitable packaging and the best temperatures at which to ship the fruit was still limited. The early pioneers of the Cape Fruit Syndicate, the Cape Orchard Company, and others who followed in their footsteps learnt their lessons fast. By the end of the full export season of 1892, Percy Molteno published a pamphlet with advice to packers, based on the Syndicate's experience. He also reported on the grape cultivars preferred by buyers and consumers in the overseas market (Burger, 2002: 19).

The arrival of the nurseryman Harry Pickstone in 1892 marked the take-off of the deciduous fruit industry. Pickstone had studied nursery practices in Southern California and established his first nursery in South Africa on the Nooitgedacht farm. Numerous vines were imported and grafted in this nursery, and new cultivars were then released to the industry for planting. In 1899, table grape volumes had grown to 12 000 cartons, and the main cultivars harvested were Muscat d` Alexander, Waltham Cross and Almeria. In 1910, the black variety Barlinka was imported, a

cultivar that proved to be of great value to the industry because of its resistance to harsh weather conditions (Burger, 2002: 19).

The industry realised the importance of pre-cooling fruit and started using the first pre-cooling chambers in the Cape Town port in 1925. The Perishable Products Export Control Board (PPECB) was established in 1926 and was responsible for quality control of all perishable agricultural export products (Tregurtha and Vink, 2002: 7). Under the old Agricultural Marketing Act of 1937, Deciduous Fruit Board was established to modernise and strengthen farming after the depression's adverse effect on many fruit farmers (Fundira, 2003: 7). The Act gave Fruit Board power to fix prices of their products and to gazette regulations of the overall control of the marketing of these products (Fundira, 2003: 7). By the 1946/47 fruit season all fruits were exported under a common label with bulk of the crop being sold in the UK (Tregurtha and Vink, 2002: 7). The real marketing changes came about in the early 1970s when control over the domestic marketing of fresh fruits was abolished and export marketing power was delegated from the Deciduous Fruit Board to Universal Fruit Trade (Co-operative) Limited (Unifruco) in 1986 (Tregurtha and Vink, 2002:7). Unifruco was responsible for marketing of fruits and held this position until 1996 before the deregulation era. In 1996, a new Agricultural Marketing Act was passed, which brought many uncertainties and an unfamiliar new dispensations (Fundira, 2003: 7). This led to a number of new initiatives such as the Fresh Produce Exporters' Forum in 1999 and South African Table Grape Industry in 2005.

5.2. Description of South African table grape production regions

South African table grapes are cultivated in five production regions, namely, Orange River, Berg River, Hex River, Olifants River and Northern Province.

Orange River: This region is currently the second-largest producer of table grapes in the country. The cultivation of grapes in the lower Orange River area first made headway in the 1940s. The 1970s are considered the golden era in the history of table grape farming along the Orange River, with the completion of the Gariep dam (formerly known as the Hendrik Verwoerd dam) in 1972 and the Van der Kloof dam (previously known as PK le Roux dam) in 1977. Thousands of hectares of arable land along the riverbanks became available for farming using irrigation from the stabilised Orange River (Burger, 2002: 22). Many of the farmers along the lower Orange River who traditionally cultivated Sultana grapes for wine and raisin production

were encouraged to adjust their vineyards for production of Sultana Seedless. The 1982/83 season was the start of South African exporting of seedless table grapes, and by 1985, a total of 65 000 cartons were exported from the lower Orange River (PPECB, 1986). The Orange River is the second-earliest region to commence harvesting grapes in South Africa. The region is dominated by seedless varieties (accounting for more than 87% of total hectares), which are exported to continental Europe and the UK to obtain premium prices in the weeks prior to the Christmas period. The region (see Figure 7, below) is considered one of the most profitable regions in the country (SATI, 2008a).

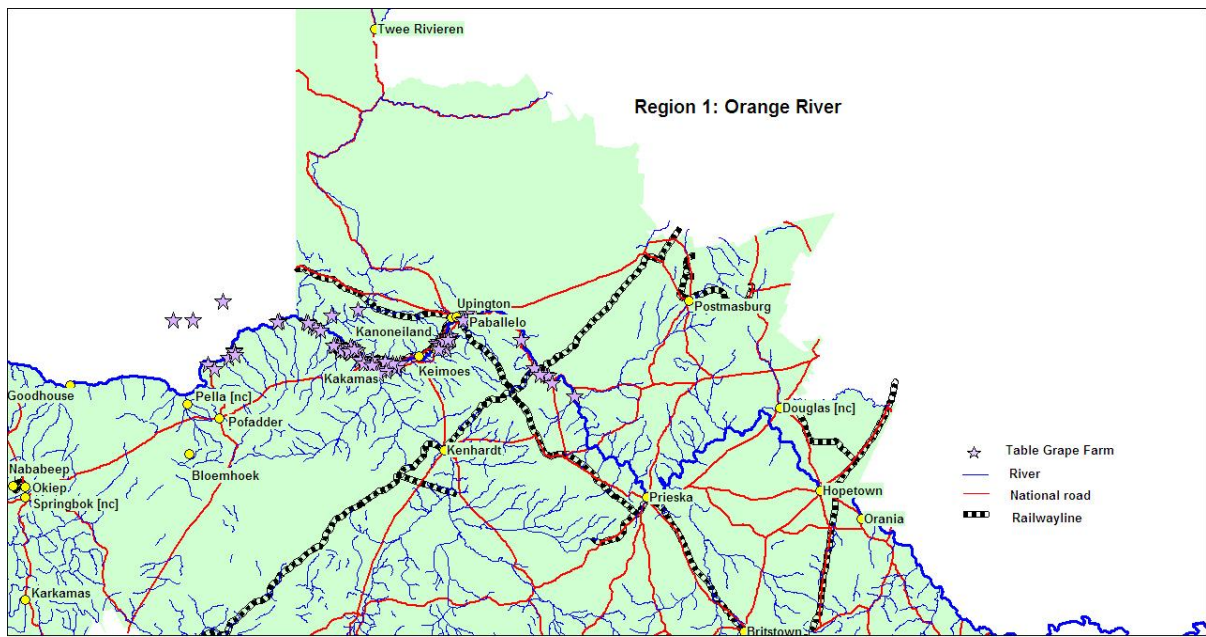


Figure 7: Location of table grape farms in the Orange River region

Source: SATI, 2008a

Berg River: This region is the third-largest producer of table grapes in South Africa. The main reason for the concentration of table grape vineyards in the coastal zone around Paarl is probably its closer proximity to Cape Town harbour (60-70 km) and packaging material manufacturing companies, as well as the relatively high prevailing temperatures. The importance of heat summation in the coastal zone in order to ensure an early harvest, and consequently, better prices is demonstrated by the absence of table grapes in the cooler Stellenbosch areas. Weather conditions in the Berg River region range from relatively dry in the Piketberg area to wetter conditions in the Paarl area. The Berg River (see Figure 8, below) has a well-balanced cultivar

mix (seeded and seedless), which enables the region to supply markets with different requirements and characteristics (SATI, 2008a).

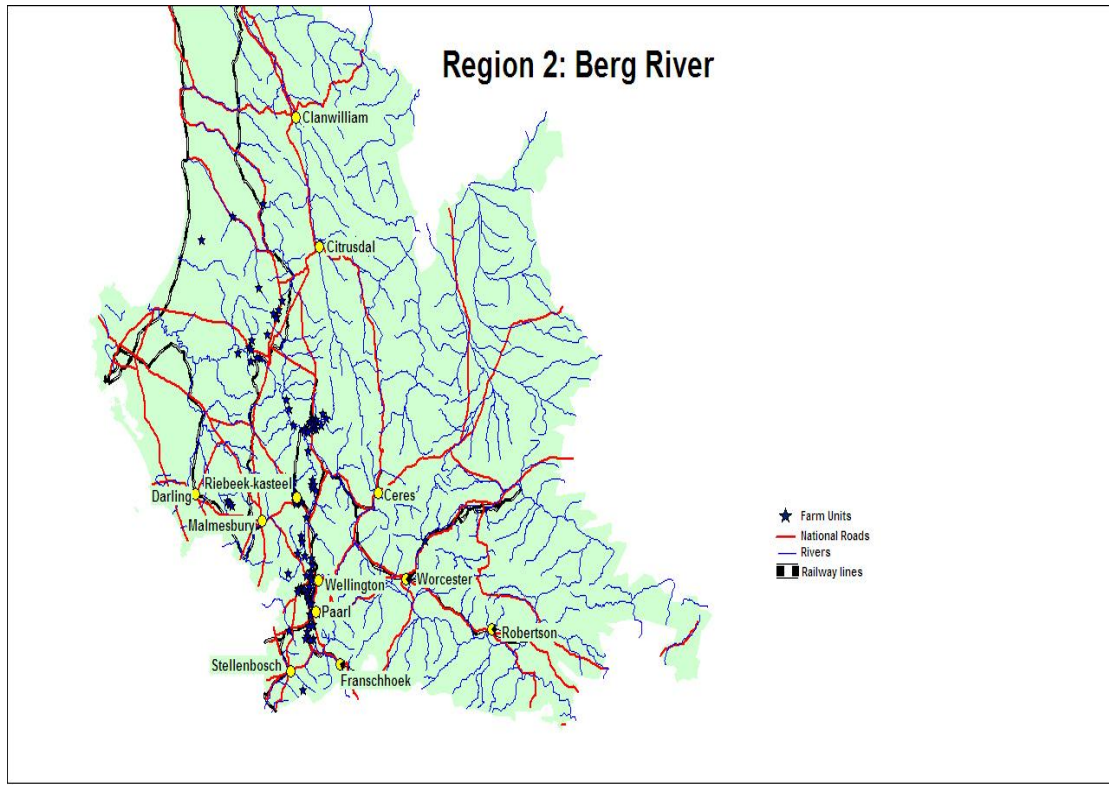


Figure 8: Location of table grape farms in the Berg River region

Source: SATI, 2008a

Hex River: This region is the oldest and largest producer of table grapes in South Africa. A railway line was constructed through the Hex River Valley during the late 19th century to link the Cape and the prospering mining towns in the north. This stimulated demand for fresh fruits and motivated table grape production in the isolated valley, dating back to the 1880s (Burger, 2002: 19). The Hex River Valley (see Figure 9, below) has a favourable, relatively dry climate for table grape production. The region enjoys a Mediterranean climate, receiving moisture from the Atlantic Ocean during the winter months. The warm, dry summer air ripens the grapes to sweet perfection. It has the longest table grape harvesting period in the country, starting at the end of January and finishing in May with the packing of the Dauphine cultivar.

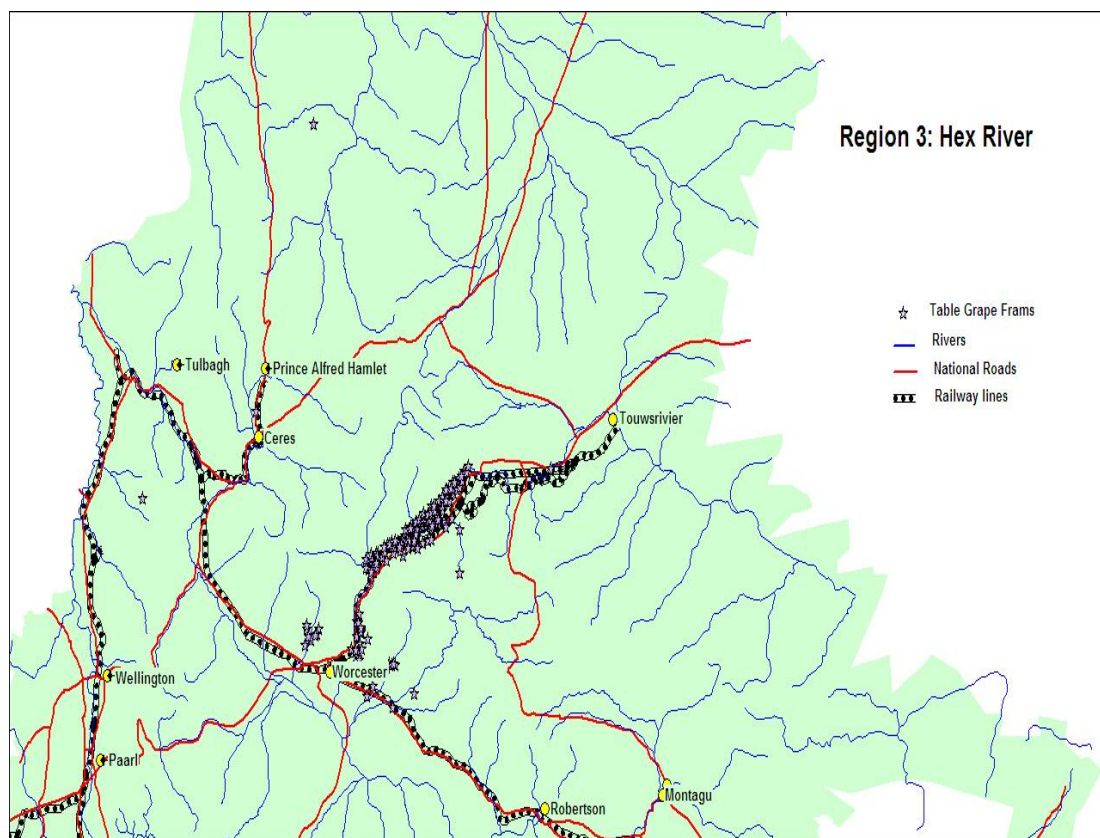


Figure 9: Location of table grape farms in the Hex River region

Source: SATI, 2008a

Northern Province: This region is the fourth-largest producer of table grapes in the country. The development of grape vineyards in the inland summer rainfall areas such as Groblersdal, Brits, Ellisras and Potgietersrus was the result of the innovative spirit of individual growers who recognised the market potential of Johannesburg, Pretoria, and the Vereeniging mining and industrial centres, and later, the export markets (Burger, 2002). The high temperatures ensure an early budding, flowering and harvesting time, resulting in good prices. The table grape industry provides more than 2 000 permanent farm jobs and about 4 300 part-time farm jobs (SATI, 2008a). See Figure 10, below.

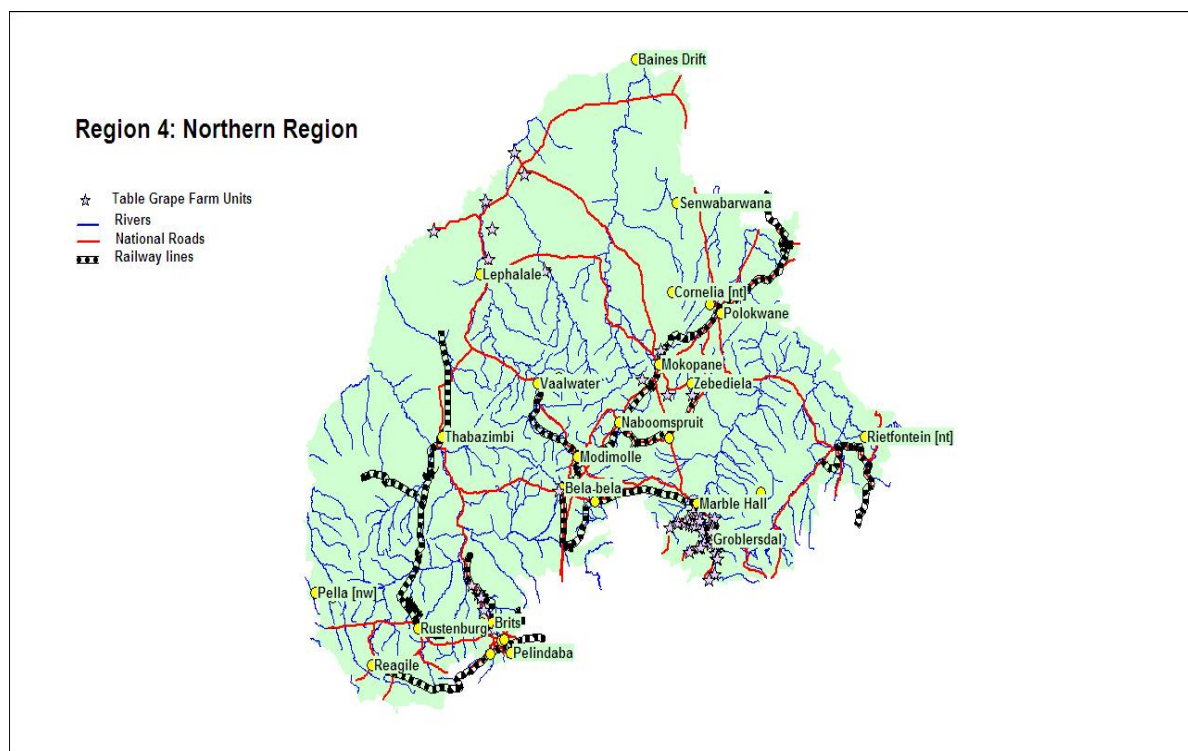


Figure 10: Location of table grape farms in the Northern Province region

Source: SATI, 2008a

Olifants River: This region, classified as a desert or semi-arid region, is the smallest producer of table grapes in the country and can be seen as intermediate between the Orange River and Berg River regions. Table grape production increased rapidly in the last few years because many of the traditional raisin and wine farmers turned to table grape production. The region is dependent on water from the Olifants River Irrigation Scheme, since rainfall is scarce in the region. In the 2007/8 season, a total of 1.8 million cartons were packed for export, contributing 4% to South African production. Major cultivars harvested from this region include Red Globe, Thompson Seedless, Flame Seedless, Sugraone and Crimson Seedless (SATI, 2008a). See Figure 11, below.

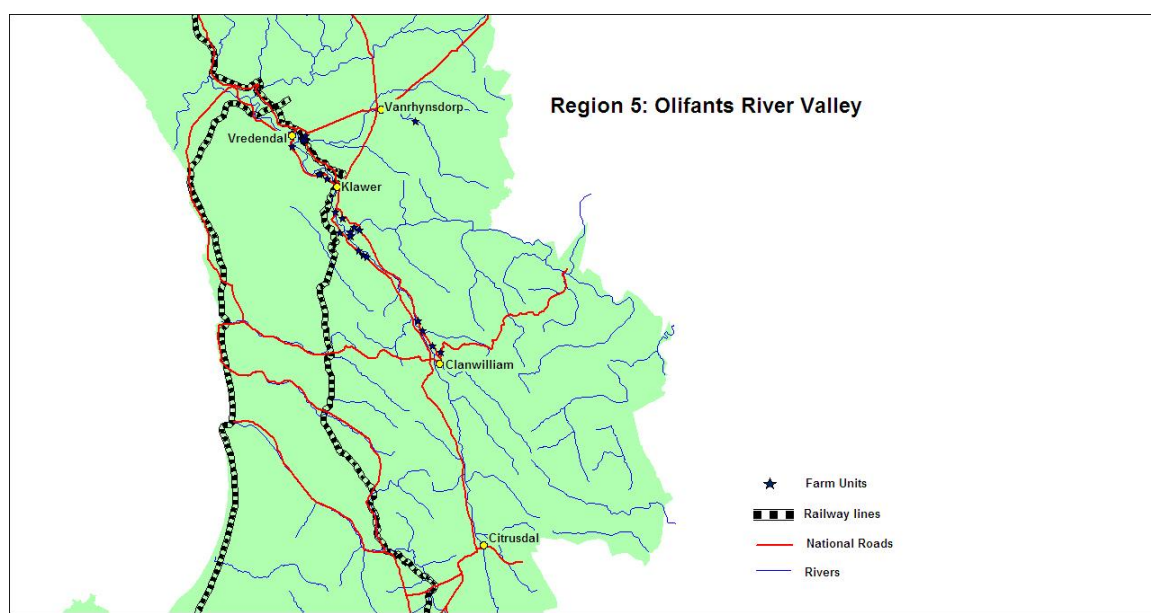


Figure 11: Location of table grape farms in the Olifants region

Source: SATI, 2008a

These regions differ in terms of geographical allocations, soil characteristics and climate, which sees South Africa enjoy a long season from November till late May. The diverse climates allow South Africa to cultivate different varieties that meet the demands of different international markets. The top table grape cultivars planted in South Africa and their percentages of total hectares occupied are as follows: Red Globe – 10%, Thompson Seedless – 10%, Crimson Seedless – 10%, Prime Seedless – 9%, Sugraone – 9%, Flame Seedless – 9% and Dauphine – 8% (SATI, 2009). More than 13% of total hectares are planted to grapes that are not yet in full production (new plantings); these vines are expected to be in full production within the next three seasons (SATI, 2008a).

5.3. The competitiveness status of the South African agribusiness sector and the table grape industry

This section aims to define and describe the competitiveness status of the South African agribusiness sector. This section borrows heavily on the work done by Dirk Esterhuizen, who evaluated the competitiveness status of the South African agribusiness sector. The issue of competitiveness has become important for agribusiness managers and strategic planners as their business need to compete locally and internationally under highly competitive environments.

5.3.1. Defining competitiveness

Competitiveness is define as the effort of a firm or industry to sustain or increase its market share, through appropriate pricing strategies, product quality improvement, the use of adaptable marketing strategies, etc. (Oustapassidis et al., 1993). It can also be define as the ability of a sector, industry, or firm to compete successfully in order to achieve sustainable profits and growth within the global environment while earning at least the opportunity costs of returns on resources employed (Esterhuizen, 2006: 139). The second definitions contains elements of competitive and comparative advantage. It is therefore, important to note that comparative advantage does not mean competitive advantage, but it can be the basis on which to build competitive advantage (Khemani, 1997 and Jooste, 2009).

5.3.2. Measures of competitiveness

Researchers have mainly used two scientific approaches to measure and analyse competitiveness, namely models and indicators (Esterhuizen, 2006: 100). Models are complex and are usually custom-build to answer specific questions. Models require a relatively large investment in data collection and analysis. As a result, they are appropriate primarily for academic research or high-stake investment decisions and policy choices (Esterhuizen, 2006: 100). The main alternative to models is index-number indicators, design to measure some change over time or comparison across industries (Esterhuizen, 2006: 100). Like the Consumer Price index of inflation, such indicators do not pretend to simulate the economy itself, they serve as thermometers or barometers, not weather forecasters. The quality of the results obtained with these indicators depends to a considerable extent on the quality of the data available. The quality, type, and amount of data required also vary between the measures, the choice of the method to be used is therefore often dictated by data availability (Esterhuizen, 2006: 101).

One important aspect of competitiveness is that it is a relative measure. There must always be a comparison with a base value. If, for example, market share is being assessed, it must concern market size (Esterhuizen, 2006: 100). Esterhuizen (2006) define and describe a variety of other methods that can be used to measure competitiveness. To determine the competitiveness of the South African agribusiness sector, Esterhuizen (2006) select the Relative Comparative Advantage (RCA) model that was developed by Balassa in 1977 and extended by Volrath in 1991 to the Real Trade Advantage (RTA) method. See Esterhuizen (2006: 116-122) for description and development of RTA method. The RTA method measures competitiveness based

on the ability to sustain trade. It can indicate the state of competitiveness, and ensure proper understanding of underlying factors such as trade restrictions, growth in local market and climate events. However, a limitation of RTA is that it does not explain how country or region acquired its global market share and competitiveness status. Market share may be well be attained by means of high export subsidies paid by governments (Esterhuizen, 2006: 154).

5.3.3. Competitiveness status of the South African agribusiness sector

In Table 3 and Figure 12 the competitiveness status of the agribusiness sector in South Africa is shown. From the table and figure it is evident that the South African agribusiness sector's RTA values are situated round-about zero (RTA 2003 value = 0.55; RTA 2002 value = 0.46; RTA 2001 value = 0.48). This results classifies the South African agribusiness sector as being generally marginal as far as international competitiveness is rated (Esterhuizen, 2006: 149). However, the competitiveness of the agribusiness sector recorded relatively positive trends in competitiveness from 1961 to 1973; from 1985 to 1990 and the first decade after democratic elections (Esterhuizen, 2006: 149).

The trends in the competitiveness of the agribusiness sector in South Africa from 1961 to 2003 can be divided into five phases (see Figure 12 and Table 3). The first phase is during the 1960s and early 1970s. South Africa's agribusiness sector was relative competitive, with RTA values above one. This was mainly as results of relatively low interest rates and low inflation. Subsidies and high protection from government also contributed to making the sector more competitive during this period (Esterhuizen, 2006: 149).

The second phase is from the mid-seventies to the mid-eighties. Sanctions were introduced in this period that resulted in a large drop in competitiveness. Interest rates were also relatively high. Also during this period the marketing of agricultural products were regulated by marketing boards. Note also the negative impact of the drought seasons of 1973/74, 1978/79, 1983/84 and 1984/85 on the competitiveness of the agribusiness sector in South Africa (Esterhuizen, 2006: 149).

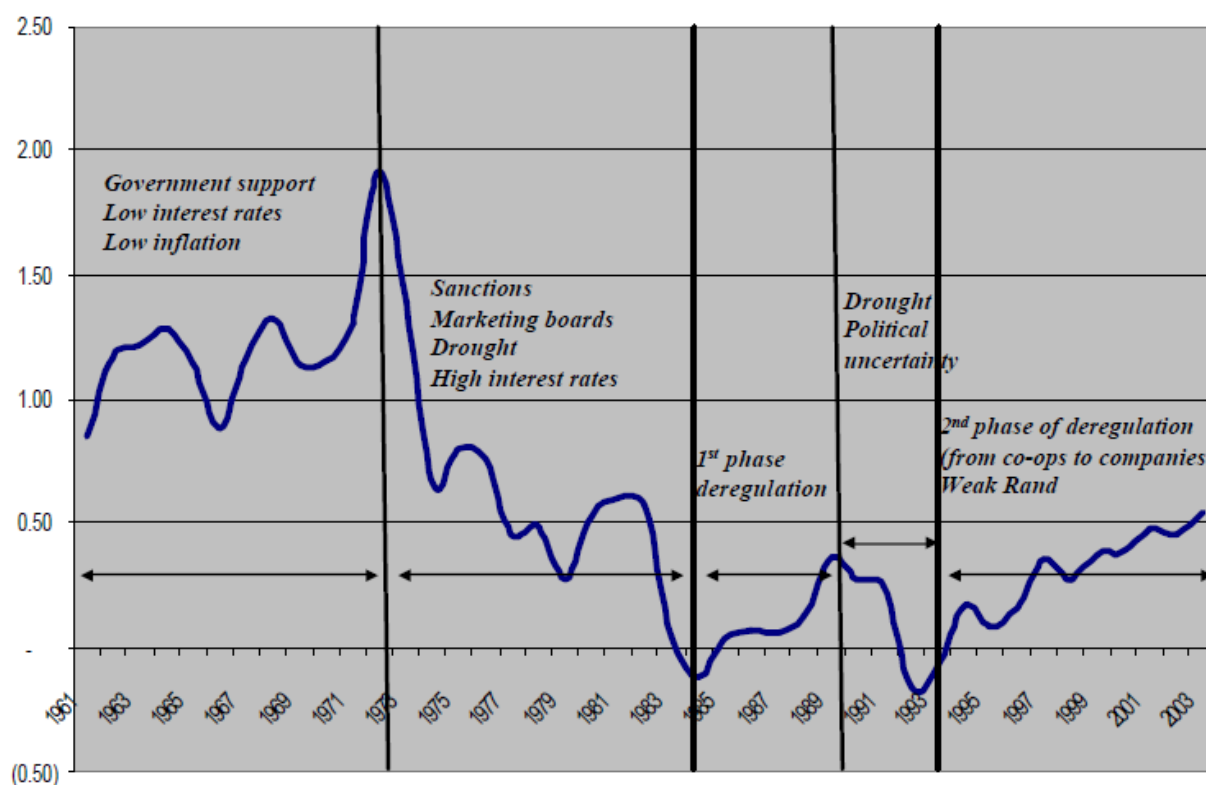


Figure.12: The competitiveness status of the South African agribusiness sector

Source: Esterhuizen, 2006: 150

The third phase is from the mid 1980s to early 1990s. The slight increase in the competitiveness of the agribusiness sector in South Africa can be attributed to the first phase of deregulation that was introduced. The fourth phase is the sharp decline in competitiveness in the early 1990s that was because of the drought and the political uncertainties before the first democratic elections in South Africa (Esterhuizen, 2006: 151).

Table 3: The competitiveness of the South African agribusiness sector

	RTA	RTA	RTA	Trends	Trends	Trends	Trends	Trends
	2003	2002	2001	1961-73	1974-84	1985-90	1991-93	1994-03
The South African agribusiness sector	0.55	0.46	0.48	+	-	+	-	+

Source: Esterhuizen, 2006: 150

The fifth phase is the definite positive trend in the competitiveness of the agribusiness sector in South Africa from 1992 to early 2000s. The competitiveness index for the South African agribusiness sector increased from -0.16 in 1992 to 0.55 in 2003. This positive trend occurred despite the ever more decreasing terms of trade (Esterhuizen, 2006: 151). The period from 1992 also indicates the start of the sharp and continuous decrease in the value of the Rand against the US\$. Although the devaluation of the Rand plays an important role in making the prices of South African products more competitive, this is not the only reason for the improvement in competitiveness. This increase in competitiveness can also be attributed to the improved business know-how of South African agribusinesses; the second phase of deregulation of the agricultural sector, which amongst others resulted in a change in business form from co-operative to companies; the elimination of non-competitive business; the delivery of quality products and an increase in labour productivity in the agribusiness sector (Esterhuizen, 2006: 151).

5.3.4. Competitiveness status of the South African table grape industry

Esterhuizen (2006) evaluated the competitiveness status of fifty seven selected agricultural commodities and processed chains. For the scope of this study, only grape chain will be discussed in the this segment. The grape chain include table grapes, grape juice and dried grapes. Table 3 illustrates the competitiveness status of the South African grape chain and products under this chain..

Table 4: The competitiveness of grape chains in South Africa and trends in competitiveness from 1961 to 2002 based on the Relative Trade Advantage (RTA) index

Chain	Product	RTA	RTA	RTA	Trends	Trends	Trends	Trends
		2002	2001	2000	1961-02	1980-02	1993-02	1998-02
Grape Chain	Grapes	10.59	11.84	14.57	+	+	+	-
	Grape juice	5.87	5.55	7.66	+	+	+	+
	Raisins	9.88	9.16	6.92	+	+	+	+

Source: Esterheizen, 2006: 157

From Table 4 it is evident that South Africa's grape chain has been highly competitive internationally, but the primary product (table grape) is more competitive than the processed products (i.e. grape juice and raisins). Table grape show positive trends in competitiveness in the long term, except for the period between 1998 to 2002. Grape juice and raisins have positive trends in competitiveness in the long term, as well as in the short term (Esterhuizen, 2006: 167). From the trends shown in Table 4 above it can be established that table grape industry has been successful up to the late 1990s. The findings of Esterhuizen (2006).are supported by BFAP (2008) study. The decline in competitiveness of the South African table grape industry as from the early 2000s can be attributed to rising competition from alternate South Hemisphere suppliers, increasing production costs and export costs (BFAP, 2008: 3). The negative trends in competitiveness imply that adjustments related to factors influencing the competitiveness status can contribute to changing the status from negative to positive. The following section identifies the particular set of factors that can positively influence the competitiveness of the South African table grape industry.

5.4. Required changes to remain competitive global suppliers

The South African table grape industry has evolved significantly in the last two decades. Ever improving supply chain technologies, the emergence of new viticultural techniques, post-harvest technology innovation, more efficient production inputs and new cultivars have all stimulated the production of table grapes in all five South African production regions. While the industry in general is well developed, some areas within the production chain need some adjustments in order to comply with the standards and regulations of both traditional and emerging markets.

In Chapter 4, a number of factors relevant to the focal issue of this study were identified, and table grape producers need to address these factors if they are to remain competitive global suppliers. The factors relevant to creating a stable and prosperous table grape industry include: (i) sustainable viticulture practices; (ii) improved food safety and quality standards; (iii) innovative product packaging and (iv) research development. In the next section, the study discusses these factors and also highlights the route that South Africa needs to take if it is to remain a competitive global supplier in an adequately diversified market situation.

5.4.1. Sustainable viticulture practice

The issue of sustainable viticulture practices includes various aspects such as (i) selection of suitable cultivars for different regions; (ii) efficient management of chemical sprays, labour and fertiliser usage; (iii) optimisation of production yield and (iv) replacement of old cultivars. These are the main determinants of the industry's success. Over many decades, the industry has selected and planted varieties only suitable for European markets. The industry has found itself facing greater challenges to restructuring its production range in order to satisfy consumers' needs in both traditional and emerging markets.

In the last two decades, consumer preferences in Europe, particularly in the UK, changed from seeded to seedless cultivars, which created a large demand for seedless varieties. The South African industry responded by planting large amounts of seedless cultivars in early regions such as the Northern Province and the Orange River. The industry is currently dominated by seedless cultivars accounting for 58% of total hectares under table grape production, and seeded varieties occupying 42% of total hectares. The 58% of seedless vines is mostly white seedless cultivars (46%), followed by red seedless (33%) and black seedless cultivars (21%) (SATI, 2009). Some of these seedless cultivars (e.g. white seedless) are no longer profitable in traditional markets and are also not suitable for emerging markets as they lack certain characteristics such as crispy eating quality, sweetness, a longer shelf life and are susceptible to browning and diseases such as Botrytis.

A market study commissioned by SATI and carried out by the Trade Matrix Company in 2005 suggests that there were at the time substantial table grape trade opportunities in emerging markets such as China, India, Vietnam, the Middle East and many other Asian countries (TTM, 2005: 21-23). The study found that Eastern consumers prefer seedless cultivars (e.g. red seedless) because of convenience (no seeds and easy to peel because of large berry size) and their attractive appearance. These findings suggest that South Africa should engage in a strategic vine replacement process in order to improve their product range (i.e. cultivar profile).

The table grape producers will have to strategically replace both seedless and seeded cultivars that are no longer profitable in today's market with new seedless cultivars in high demand in

both traditional and emerging markets. While global demand for seedless cultivars is growing, continental Europe still has large market opportunities for seeded varieties that have the right cultivar characteristics (longer shelf life, good colour development and eating character, and larger berry sizes). Red Globe is a classic example of a seeded cultivar that is performing well in both traditional markets and emerging Eastern markets, and producers need to retain this cultivar (SATI, 2009). There are seedless cultivars (especially white seedless cultivars) that are losing their popularity in the markets due to problems such as browning, shattering and bunch decay, and these need to be replaced by new cultivars.

The other issues relating to sustainable viticulture practices are those of sound environment and labour management systems. When South Africa engages in a stronger diversification process to explore and develop alternative markets for their products, current production practices (e.g. intensity of spraying chemicals and applying fertilisers) will be influenced by different market requirements. The emerging Eastern markets have different environmental management requirements that are regulated by protocols, such as in the case of China. The issues of labour management (i.e. ethical trade) will also become important in the future, as they have already gained momentum in recent years. Though emerging markets have their own set standards with regard to labour and environmental issues, developed markets (e.g. the EU) are well known for having much stricter or higher standards compared to developing Eastern markets. This poses a large advantage to South Africa, as the country has been complying with European standards over many decades. It is evident that experienced South African producers will experience less difficulty in meeting the requirements of emerging markets if they engage in a strong diversification process (Benic, 2008).

5.4.2. Improved food safety and quality standards

Over the last eight years, southern hemisphere export volumes have increased significantly. As a result of increasing exports, international markets have strengthened their quality standards and increased their concerns over food safety. The traditional markets have set up stringent quality and safety standards to protect the wellbeing of their consumers. However, South Africa has been able to supply Europe over several years under these tight non-tariff measures. The Eastern markets have more lenient requirements compared to European markets, and South Africa will have less difficulty in complying with these (Benic, 2008). Though South Africa might be a

leader (at present) in supplying quality table grapes to global markets, significant measures are necessary to ensure sustained production of quality grapes.

5.4.3. Research developments

In 2000, the National Agricultural Marketing Council (NAMC) of South Africa commissioned a study to understand the table grape export market to Europe. This study highlighted various issues that the South African industry needed to address if it was to remain a competitive global supplier (PROMAR, 2001: 285). These are listed below.

- The South African industry has been overly preoccupied with its own internal problems rather than developing mid- to long-term relationships with its customer bases in the international markets.
- Development and research, previously considered one of the great strengths of the South African industry, has to a certain extent been ignored, allowing its fledgling competitors to make great strides in the areas of quality and supply.

5.5. Conclusions

At present, the industry is largely dependent on European markets, and this high dependency has shaped the South African production patterns to suit the needs of traditional markets. The current cultivar profile does not fully meet the requirements of Eastern markets, which is to produce cultivars that have a large berry size and a long shelf life. This is straining export growth to Eastern markets, as producers lack cultivars with the characteristics desired by these markets. The industry has to ensure that the production of table grapes is quality-driven and that only popular cultivars of top quality are exported to international markets.

CHAPTER 6

DESCRIPTION OF THE SELECTED MARKETS

6.1. Introduction

This chapter aims to discuss the current situation pertaining to selected markets (i.e. EU, China and India). In Chapter 1, it was shown that China and India present large trade opportunities when measured in terms of economic growth and the size of their consumer markets. These two countries have experienced large retail growth and infrastructure improvement in the last six years. Their seasons for table grape production and export are counter-seasonal to South Africa. In 2007, South Africa and China signed a table grape protocol promoting the export of table grapes from South Africa to China. South Africa also has active market access to India. These facts have motivated the selection of these two Eastern markets for this study.

This chapter discusses how Chinese and Indian markets differ from the traditional South African export market (i.e. the EU), and how these differences will affect South African export structures. The three markets are evaluated based on consumption trends, retail growth, consumer spending ability, infrastructure development and product price growth. The chapter then provides an analysis of how relevant trends or events will unfold in the future.

6.2. Description of the European market

Most of South African table grapes are exported to Europe. The table grape producers have enjoyed premium returns on this market over many decades, and European importers have expressed their satisfaction regarding the quality of products supplied by South Africa. It appears that exporters have been in a comfort zone concerning their exports to Europe, which has caused them to focus less on finding alternative markets. The increase of exports from Chile, Argentina, Peru, Namibia and Brazil since the early 2000s has challenged the dominance of South African products in Europe. The boom of export volumes from southern hemisphere countries has given northern hemisphere importers much freedom to choose products from different countries and has also triggered northern hemisphere markets to implement strict technical and environmental barriers (also known as green impediments) to protect the wellbeing of consumers.

6.2.1. European population and economic growth

The average population growth for the EU-15 was 0.3% between 2000 and 2003. This percentage fell to 0.2% between 2003 and 2007 (UN, 2008). The table below indicates that EU-15 population growth has remained constant over the last five years and is projected to remain the same at least until the year 2012. The projected stagnation of EU-15 population growth is based primarily on the persistence of extremely low fertility rates and a high migration rate. The fertility rate has fallen to below the level required for the reproduction of the population (two children) in most EU-15 countries. One implication of the low fertility rate is that the population of EU-15 is aging rapidly. In the year 2000, the median age of some EU-15 countries was about 40.

This rapidly aging population of many EU-15 countries means that their dependency ratios (the ratio of economically inactive to economically active persons) will rise in the coming years. This will have a negative impact on grape consumption over the longer term, as grapes are perceived as luxury and expensive fruits. As the dependency ratio increases, household incomes will decline and consumers will resort to more defensive spending (buy cheaper products). This is evident when one looks at the current spending patterns in Europe under the recession conditions that took place in mid-2008. The consumers have adopted a defensive spending approach resulting in lower purchasing power.

Table 5: EU-15 Macroeconomic indicators:

	Unit	Country	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Population Growth	Million	EU-15	384	386	387	387	388	388	389	389
Real GDP Growth	%	EU-15	2.52	2.72	2.14	1.76	1.93	2.06	1.95	1.98
Consumer Price Index	%	EU-15	1.96	2.01	2.45	4.03	3.08	2.04	2.2	2.0

Source: Global Insight, 2008

6.2.2. Production and consumption in Europe

Europe is the second-largest producer, importer and consumer of table grapes in the world. On average, between 2000 and 2006, Europe produced 3.5 million tons (second after China), imported 3.9 million tons (second after the US) and consumed 2.2 million tons (second after China) (Eurostat, 2007). Globally, China is the world's largest producer and consumer of table grapes. As shown in Table 4, below, Italy is the EU's foremost consumer of table grapes, consuming twice the amount of Germany (the second-largest consumer in Europe). Other leading table grape-consuming nations include the UK, a major importer of table grapes (importing substantial quantities from South Africa), Spain and Greece (second and third major producers of table grapes in Europe).

Table 6: Table grape consumption in Europe

Average consumption 1999-2006			
Country	(1 000 tons)	Country	(1 000 tons)
Italy	750.50	Sweden	42.90
Germany	315.83	Czech Rep.	39.00
UK	300.77	Bulgaria	38.60
France	220.49	Ireland	34.20
Spain	154.30	Finland	33.30
Greece	145.68	Hungary	32.33
Poland	129.67	Austria	29.82
Portugal	71.40	Lithuania	17.15
Belgium	65.80	Finland	11.19
Romania	64.00	Estonia	9.43
Netherlands	45.83	Malta	4.62

Source: Eurostat, 2007

The EU is the largest importer of fresh fruits and vegetables in the world. With EU production limited by the relatively cooler climate and shorter growing seasons, the population is dependent on imports of fruits originating predominantly from countries in the southern hemisphere, where production is counter-seasonal to the EU.

Understandably, the large importing countries are also the large consuming nations. This is except for the Netherlands, where the focus is primarily on the table grape trade, not on consumption. Almost 70% of imported products in the Netherlands are transhipped to other European countries and are not consumed in the Netherlands. Germany's imports have decreased by 10% over the past six years. This is in contrast to other EU countries, specifically the UK, the Netherlands and the Czech Republic, all with growth rates of almost 50%. Italy, as the EU's leading consumer and producer of table grapes (responsible for more than half of the region's total production), has no significant import market (USDA, 2007: 13).

Table 7: Imports of table grapes by EU-25 (Tons)

Exporting country	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
South Africa	161 837	177 496	188 757	213 991	191 421	196 724	194 035	192 264
Chile	80 121	86 188	110 918	119 676	154 275	177 955	171 905	175 342
Argentina	20 186	24 701	26 161	32 473	36 331	37 556	42 101	39 996
Brazil	14 585	22 089	33 179	22 017	41 116	43 397	49 507	50 992
Egypt	5 184	9 320	9 547	17 217	24 287	31 494	38 479	40 018
Israel	6 441	4 952	2 963	7 586	7 823	6 753	5 626	5 513
Namibia	1 949	4 959	6 476	6 070	12 56	15 066	11 764	11 529
Peru	1 560	2 197	3 980	2 966	4 420	7 229	6 621	6 952

Source: Eurostat, 2008 and SHAFPE, 2009

6.2.3. Market barriers and challenges in the European markets

In this section, the main challenges faced by South African exporters in this market are discussed.

(i) Market competition

South Africa is the largest supplier of table grapes to Europe, followed by Chile, Argentina and Brazil. These countries have shown large export growth in the past five years, exerting pressure on the South African export price. The export volumes from Chile and South Africa, the largest and second-largest exporters of table grapes in the southern hemisphere, increased respectively by 4% and 6% per annum between 2000 and 2007. Exports by Peru, New Zealand, Namibia and Brazil increased, on average, by 35%, 33%, 30% and 24% respectively over the same period (BFAP, 2008: 3). BFAP projected that there would be an additional 68 million cartons in the export market by 2012, which would have a significant impact on the market price. Between 2000 and 2007, the average price received for South African grape exports declined by 8% year on year (BFAP, 2008: 4). It is projected that competition in Europe will continue to rise, making the market less profitable for South African exporters.

(ii) Export standards and compliance costs

The term ‘market barrier’ refers to all factors that restrain free and fair trade. Over the last decades, nations have reduced their tariff barriers as agreed under the auspices of the World Trade Organisation (WTO). But the reduction of export duties on its own does not necessarily mean that international trade has been liberalised. Over the last decade, one has seen the rise of a wide range of export standards being implemented to protect domestic producers from foreign exporters by limiting the import volumes. The costs of complying with export standards are relatively high making it difficult for emerging grower to export.

Technical and environmental export standards (e.g. Phytosanitary and sanitary requirements): Importers demand strict adherence to prescribed production practices that need to be implemented by producers cultivating for an export market. Retail chains have developed a series of these environmentally sustainable production standards as formal codes of practice for the growers to practice (e.g. global-GAP, Natures Choice, SEDEX and IP Pack house). South African table grape producers are required to produce phytosanitary and sanitary certificates as well as food safety and traceability certificates when exporting to European countries. In recent

years, European supermarkets have demanded that foreign producers indicate the carbon footprint of the produce they are supplying to the market.

The population's high incomes drive environmental consciousness as the force behind the tight environmental health standards, limiting market access in Europe. The relation between higher incomes and environmental consciousness can be explained using an inverted U-shaped curve (see Figure 13, below), also known as the Environmental Kuznets Curve (EKC) (Cole, 1999: 86 and Stern, 2003: 1). The proposition of the curve states that early stages of economic development see a positive relationship between economic growth and environmental degradation, but once a certain level of development is attained, further economic growth actually serves to benefit the environment (Kuznets, 1955 and Cole, 1999: 86). The current European market situation proves the Kuznets theory right. European economic growth has reached a point where environmental degradation is restrained. The number of environmental regulations has increased, making it difficult to export to Europe. For example, the permitted chemical residue (MRL's standards) has declined significantly in the last ten years. The reasons for increasing the number of environmental regulations are: (i) environmental concerns become a higher priority after society has maximised investments in health and education; (ii) high-income societies have large personal budgets for monitoring enforcements; (iii) high levels of income and education empower markets to enforce higher environmental standards.

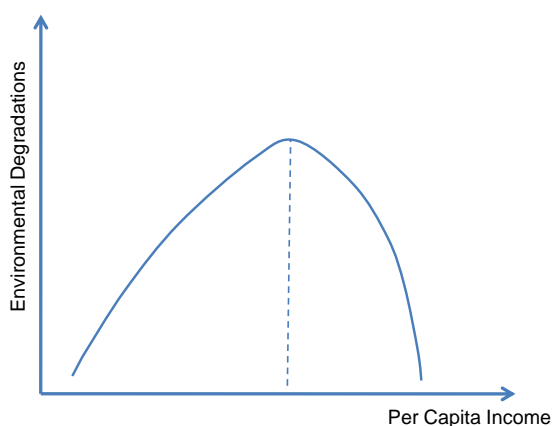


Figure 13: An inverted U-shaped relationship between environmental degradation and per capita income: Kuznets Curve

Source: Cole, 1999: 91

Logistical barriers: These barriers include quality of distribution channels, mobility of persons and goods from ports to wholesalers/supermarkets, high-quality infrastructure (roads, railways, waterways, ports, airports, intermodal freight terminals and product pipelines) and use of modern transport (refrigerated trucks to transport perishable fruits and vegetables). It appears that European countries have effective infrastructural systems that allow rapid and easy mobility of persons and goods. The WEF report (2008) supports the fact that European countries have highly developed infrastructures; for example, Germany is ranked number one in the world (country with the most efficient and highest quality infrastructure, which is critical for ensuring the efficient functioning of the economy), France is ranked number two, Switzerland number four, the Netherlands number eleven and the UK number 13 in the world rankings. These highly developed logistics networks facilitate the rapid mobility of table grapes within the markets, thus maintaining the quality of the products at a high level.

6.2.4. EU as trade partner to South Africa

This section discusses the current table grape trading relationship between South Africa and Europe.

6.2.4.1. Significance of EU markets to SA producers

South Africa is Europe's oldest and most reliable supplier of table grapes. European consumers prefer the high quality and sweet, juicy taste of grapes from South Africa. Table 6, below, indicates that Europe is the dominant destination for South African exports. As mentioned earlier, the high dependency on European markets is mainly the results of political history (i.e. South Africa was colonised by Europeans, and together, they have established a good trading partnership governed by the TDCA), and the secondary factor is the lack of understanding of emerging markets by South African exporters and producers.

Table 8: South African table grape exports to Europe (tons): 2002-2009

Market Classification	2008/2009	2007/2008	2006/2007	2005/2006	2004/2005	2003/2004	2002/2003
Continental EU	140 162	138 289	135 299	138 928	139 643	165 773	135 848
UK	46 691	54 356	58 737	57 795	51 778	48 218	52 908
Total EU	186 853	192 645	194 036	196 723	191 421	213 991	188 756
% of total SA export	86%	86%	85%	85%	90%	88%	89%

Source: PPECB and SATI, 2009

From Table 8 above it is evident that only 3% of South African exports has been relocated from EU to other global markets in the last eight years. This shows that South African exporters are at the comfort zone in Europe and they lacking the willingness to diversify their export markets.

6.2.4.2. Intervention needed to improve competitiveness in Europe

In the past eight years, South Africa's competitive advantage in Europe has been declining due to the emergence of quality export quantities from alternate southern hemisphere countries. There is a great need for South Africa to regain its market share by stimulating its product awareness through generic promotions and product differentiation. The promotions that are of a generic nature will boost the country's image as a preferred supplier of quality grapes. In-store promotions and media publications that aim at providing consumers with product nutritional information have proved to be a suitable platform to regain market competitive advantage. In 2008, the South African Plum Association (a division of Deciduous Fruit Producers Trust (DFPT)) conducted a plums promotion in Europe to promote South African plums. The promotional campaign was a success, as South African plum sales increased by 14% and the movement of South African plums on the store shelves was much faster compared to previous years (DFPT, 2008: 2). The table grape industry needs to support South African producers by conducting table grape promotional campaigns in major European supermarkets during peak harvest times in December and January, when all South African regions are harvesting (SATI, 2008 and DFPT, 2008: 11).

The European markets have become more difficult and costly to supply. This has meant that South African producers need to focus on developing innovative products in order to retain their global market share. One of the innovations currently being tested in selling is the packing of

two or three different cultivars in a single punnet/box, which offers more value to customers (SATI, 2008: 5).

6.3. Description of the Chinese market

China is known to be a traditional market for Australia and this is evident when looking at the strength of the existing trade agreement between these two countries (BOABC, 2009). Although Australia is not a major player in the global table grape industry, they export substantial amounts of other agricultural products to this market. The factor that promotes Australian exports to China is the shipping distance (geographical allocation) between the two countries. Australia is geographically closer than Chile, Peru, Argentina and South Africa to Far East markets (USDA, 2007: 13).

In recent years, Chilean exports to China (direct route to China, not via Hong Kong) have increased significantly. Chilean exports to China have increased from 3 000 cartons (4.5kg) in 2003/4 to 1.5 million cartons in the 2007/8 season (Decofruit, 2009).

6.3.1. Overview of the Chinese market

The Chinese table grape industry has grown substantially in the last five years when measured in terms of both production growth and import growth. The total grape production forecast for the 2008 season indicates an increase of 10% to nearly 7 million tons over the next two seasons, and table grapes represent about 80% of this quantity (BOABC, 2009 and USDA, 2008: 3). The most planted table grape variety in China is the Red Globe, which is still growing rapidly in terms of hectares planted. The popularity of Red Globe comes from the characteristics of this cultivar (i.e. large berry size, allowing consumers to peel berries easily; long shelf life; cultivar colour and good eating character).

The Chinese table grape industry is still focused on quantity rather than quality (USDA, 2008: 3). The contributing factors to this approach are the lack of development of post-harvest technologies and underdeveloped infrastructures, as well as lack of new production techniques. Table 9, below, indicates the growth in production, consumption and imports over the last three seasons. The rising consumption trend indicates a growing demand for table grapes in China,

stimulated by changing lifestyles and rising household incomes. The area planted with table grapes increased from 408 thousand hectares in the 2005/6 season to 443 thousand hectares in the 2007/8 season.

Table 9: Chinese table grape production, consumption and imports

China: production, consumption and imports of table grapes (000 Tons)							
Year	Area Planted	Production	Imports	Fresh Dom. Consumption	Exports, Fresh	For Processing	Total Distribution
2006	408	5 794	53	4 076	21	1 750	5 848
2007	419	6 271	44	4 354	36	1 925	6 315
2008	443	6 900	40	4 838	52	2 050	6 940

Source: BOABC, 2009 and USDA, 2008

As the country's economy develops, fruit consumption also increases, portraying market potential for exporting countries. The consumption of fruits and vegetables is growing, parallel with an increasing population and economic growth. Table grape consumption is much higher in the southern part of China where high-income consumers are located. The southern region of China is considered to be an industrial area with a much-improved infrastructure, systems and modern retail sectors (BOABC, 2009).

6.3.2. Competition and consumer preferences

The demand for imported fruits is increasing, as is indicated by growing amounts of fresh fruit coming into China directly, and indirectly to south China via Hong Kong (the grey channel). The majority of Chinese consumers prefer US fruit and food products (Research Surveys, 2006: 16). This is particularly true in Southeast China (the Guangdong and Fujian provinces), which is the ancestral homeland of two-thirds of Americans of Chinese descent (Encyclopedia.com, 2008). However, some fruits are frequently mislabelled as US-grown, as retailers attempt to capitalise on the higher prices they might earn from US-branded fruits. The consumption of domestic and imported fresh fruit will continue to climb, paralleling rising consumer incomes (Research Surveys, 2006: 25). The strong demand for fruit in China is also reflected by the strong growth in production that took place between the early 1990s and 2000s; growth in

production of about 300% was observed in that country, and almost all of it was consumed within the country. US apple exports to China between 1993 and 2000 increased by 55% and US grape exports increased by 380%, making the US a major supplier of fruits to China and Hong Kong (Encyclopedia.com, 2008). Fruit is a particularly popular gift item and is commonly served at up-market restaurants. Only middle-income and higher-income consumers are known to frequently purchase imported fruit, which can cost two to five times more than domestic alternatives. A recent study indicate that 38% of Chinese consumers eat table grapes on a regular basis (two or more times per week) (Research Surveys, 2006: 16).

Research Surveys (2006) find that apples (Red Delicious), table grapes (Red Globe) and navel oranges remain the three big fruit imports to South China, but other fruits also enjoy market niches. Quantities of Thompson Seedless, Crimson Seedless, plums, kiwifruits, lemons, nectarines and cherries are seasonally available in South China's urban markets and other markets in the Eastern and Northern regions of China. The demand for Crimson Seedless is also showing fast growth in the Chinese market. The rising popularity of Crimson Seedless comes from the colour development and good eating character of this cultivar (i.e. crunchiness) (Research Surveys, 2006: 25).

The findings of Research Surveys (2006) further show that the Chilean and South African Red Globe grapes are seen in the market largely when California grapes are out of season. Chilean and Peruvian grapes are the largest competitors to South African grapes in this market. Both these countries' grape exports get government support (in the form of promotional activities) that subsidises their promotions, giving them a competitive advantage when compared to South Africa (Research Surveys, 2006: 28). In general, the fruit trade in China is booming, most of the fruit, including imports, is sold at open-air wholesale markets (wet markets) and in traditional retail markets. However, substantial quantities of fruit are beginning to appear in up-market supermarkets, and these new supermarkets are emerging in cities such as Guangzhou, Shanghai and Shenzhen (Research Surveys, 2006: 31). While most imported fresh fruit is consumed in South China, some is shipped to North China, as fruit consumption is becoming increasingly significant in the Northern and Eastern parts of China (Research Surveys, 2006: 31).

6.3.3. Distribution channels and logistical constraints

Logistical constraints such as poor port facilities, causing port congestion during the peak season, and underdeveloped infrastructures and transport systems remain major concerns in many Asian countries (Research Surveys, 2006: 48 and Promar, 2008: 3). Research Surveys (2006) and Promar (2008) found that the internal distribution of grapes is hampered by an overburdened rail network, a poor highway road system and a lack of refrigerated truck transport. Using refrigerated truck transport from Guangzhou to Shanghai, a distance of about 1 207km, can take approximately three days, indicating high road traffic. The cold storage capacity and handling technologies remain poor, but are improving. The controlled-atmosphere storage facilities are not well developed yet, but such facilities are improving in the fruit producing areas of North China, presenting large trade opportunities across all the provinces of China (USDA, 2008: 5 and Research Surveys, 2006: 51).

6.3.4. Market barriers in the Chinese market

Food safety issues and the spread of retail outlets are the strong drivers of market growth in our modern day. Both consumers and importers are starting to position themselves at high-value markets and are becoming more conscious about food-safety issues. At present, China has imposed a protocol on South Africans intending to export to that country via the legal route. The protocol appears to be a major non-tariff barrier for South African exporters, as their products have to be exposed to a minimum sterilising period of 23 days before they reach the markets. This steri-period has a negative impact on the quality of table grapes, as the days spent in quarantine result in poor product quality.

Internal market forces appear to have a major effect on the trade environment in China. The study conducted by Research Surveys in 2006 indicated that tariff duties were not the primary barrier in China, but internal market forces, such as psychological barriers, logistical constraints and product awareness, remained the largest impediment in the market. The psychological issues such as trust and commitment play a significant role in trade relationships. The trade relationship with Chinese importers is largely influenced by the level of trust developed between exporter and importer. Chinese importers are conservative and they still believe in making sound trade deals through face-to-face communication rather than through modern communication

technologies such as telephones or emails (Research Surveys, 2006: 78). Generic promotions also seem to play a critical role in improving product awareness. South African table grape exporters have indicated that conducting in-store promotions in China can benefit the sector, as this will increase product awareness and stimulate the rapid movement of South African products on the shelves.

Research Surveys (2006) and later supported by Promar (2008) argue that the Chinese market, like other Far East markets, is a large consumer of seedless varieties. Red Globe (exceptional due to cultivar characteristics), Crimson Seedless and White Seedless varieties are the favourites in the Chinese market because of their colour and eating character. There are four factors that play significant roles during the purchasing process of table grapes: (i) cultivar type; (ii) brix level (sweetness); (iii) bunch size and firmness and (iv) colour development and product appearance. Chinese consumers prefer seedless varieties that have firm bunches and large berry sizes. They tend to prefer varieties that have high levels of sweetness and well-developed colour. Consumers also perceive reserved bloom on berries as an indication of high quality and freshness. Cultivars with shattering problems, browning, looseness of bunch and uneven berry development are less profitable in the Chinese market.

6.3.5. China as a trade partner to South Africa

6.3.5.1. Significance of Chinese market to South African producers

The table grape trade between China and South Africa is modern, as South Africa only obtained market access status to China in 2006. However, substantial amounts of grapes have been exported to China via Hong Kong (over the past five years, about 1 million cartons of grapes were exported to Hong Kong every season, and a large percentage of these were transhipped to China). In 2008, the first year of direct export to China, South Africa exported a total of 30 thousand cartons directly, and 1.1 million cartons indirectly via Hong Kong (SATI, 2009). China on its own has the potential to absorb all South African exports every season (Research Survey, 2006: 90).

6.3.5.2. How China differs from the EU market

The Chinese market, like other Far East markets, is economically, psychologically, environmentally and socially different from the traditional export markets, and therefore, gaining an improved understanding of these differences will be a key tool to enhancing the producers' capacity to supply these markets successfully. The financial status of Chinese consumers is growing when measured by income levels and urbanisation rates. The Chinese have large family sizes compared to European families. This means that Chinese consumers buy table grapes in large containers compared with European consumers, who have shifted their preference from large 4.5kg cartons to smaller 2.5kg cartons or even 500g punnets.

The Chinese attach high value to red grapes compared with European consumers who mainly prefer white grapes. They also tend to prefer certain shades of red, for instance grapes that appear pinkish (known as *monkey-ass pink*) compared with the dark-red grapes mainly consumed in Europe. This means that South African producers will need to adjust their production tactics to obtain the required colour type. The cultivation of table grapes with the required colour type for China and other Far East markets includes proper vine and bunch manipulation during the production process. The canopy management includes leaf and shoot removal, bunch suckering and tipping. This would have a significant impact on production costs, as it would elevate the costs of labour. It is important to mention that, besides red grapes, China is also a good market for black and white grapes.

In the previous sections, it was shown that technical barriers such as stringent MRLs and SPS standards as well as tight traceability regulations protect European markets. In contrast, China and other Far East markets are largely protected by psychological factors (i.e. level of trust between importer and exporter), tariff barriers and protocols. The sanitary requirements are not required for South Africa grapes exported to China, provided that they are kept at a sterilisation temperature of -0.5°C. This means China is less protected by technical and environmental barriers than Europe.

The most important difference between European and Chinese markets is the price mechanism used when trading. The European markets use a Minimum Guaranteed Price (MGP) when procuring table grapes, while China uses a Fixed Price Mechanism (FPM). This means that when South African exporters sell their grapes to China, they have a guaranteed price, while European prices are not guaranteed and exporters can receive a price that is lower than the initially

expected price used for budgeting. The MGP guarantees only a minimum percentage of the whole price, and the rest is determined by the condition of the product when it arrives at the markets.

The shipping costs and overseas handling costs are different when comparing the EU and China. It has been reported by table grape exporters that it costs 37% less to sea freight table grapes from South African ports (e.g. Cape Town) to China (e.g. Shanghai), as opposed to Europe (e.g. Rotterdam). The selling of table grapes in China is also different from selling in Europe. In China, the bulk of the fruit is sold on wholesale and open-air markets (i.e. even directly from containers, and not from formal retail stores), while in Europe, grapes are sold to formal retailers such as TESCO and ASDA.

6.4. Description of the India market

India is one of the fastest growing food markets in the world. It is a big fruit producer in its own right, but imports of fresh fruit have been increasing significantly in the last five years (Promar International, 2008: 4). The Indian consumer market at both retail and foodservice level is rapidly evolving. Imports of many fresh and processed agri-food products have often been hampered by the attitude of the Indian government towards the reduction of both tariff and non-tariff barriers; these have been kept at a relatively high level compared with global standards (Promar international, 2008: 9). The importing of grapes at present is relatively modest, but if South Africa expands its exports to India, it would be a counter-seasonal supplier to that market.

6.4.1. Overview of the Indian horticultural sector

In the world horticultural sector, India is one of the largest producers of fruits (46 million tons), with a global share of over 10%, and is the second largest producer of vegetables (80 million tons), with a global share of over 15% in 2007 (Apeda.com, 2008). In spite of this massive production, about 30% to 35% of the produce is lost annually due to a lack of proper infrastructure and inadequate use of modern post-harvest technologies (Apeda.com, 2008).

The Indian table grape sector has shown some growth over the last few years. The area planted with table grapes has increased from 45.5 thousand hectares in 2001 to 64.3 thousand hectares in 2006, representing a 41.3% increase in area planted under table grapes. The areas planted with

table grapes are expected to increase as the Indian government invests heavily in agriculture to improve agricultural practices and productivity (Apeda.com, 2008 and Promar International, 2008: 9). Table 10 below represents the hectares planted with table grapes and production from the early 2000s until 2006. Almost all Indian table grapes are produced in three areas (Maharashtra, Karnataka and Tamil Nadu). More than 95% of Indian production comes from these three areas, with Maharashtra producing 78% of the total Indian production. Other areas that produce table grapes on a small scale are Andhra Pradesh, Punjab and Haryana (Apeda.com, 2008 and UN Comtrade, 2007).

Table 10: Indian table grapes: area planted and production

YEAR	Area (000 HA)	Production (000 Tons)
2002	47.5	1 84.2
2003	52.1	1 247.8
2004	57.8	1 474.8
2005	60.5	1 564.7
2006	64.3	1 630.7
2007	66.9	1 668.2
2008	70.5	1 741.5

Source: Apeda.com, 2008, Promar International, 2008 and UN Comtrade, 2007.

India is one of the important exporters of table grapes to the global markets, although Indian exports are still based on quantity rather than quality. The main destinations for Indian table grape exports are the Netherlands, the UK, the UAE, Bangladesh and Belgium. Indian table grape exports are expected to reach 30 183 containers in 2009, compared to 2 500 in 2007 (Apeda.com, 2008). In 2005 a traceability system was set up, which enables Indian exporters to trace and track each table grape carton/container back to farm level (Apeda.com, 2008).

6.4.2. Consumption and consumer preferences

The Indian market at both the wholesale and retail level is rapidly developing and the main driver of this growth is fast growing middle class consumer numbers, approximately 200-300 million spread across the country (Rabobank, 2007: 20). Indian consumers spend 57% of their income on food and groceries and another 8% on eating out in restaurants and fast food outlets (The SCS Group, 2007: 18). The rising income of Indian consumers means that consumers are willing to buy high-value and processed agri-food products. They are becoming more health conscious and moving towards packaged and brightly branded products. The demand for fruits and vegetables has increased significantly over the last years, stimulated by changing lifestyles and rising household incomes (Promar International, 2008).

The US is the major supplier of table grapes to this market. Chilean export volumes have increased from 25 545 cartons (4.5kg) in the 2003/4 season to 77 277 cartons in the 2007/8 season, a 202% increased over four seasons (Decofruit, 2008). Local production remains a major competitor to exporting countries in the months from April to July. Local producers receive government support in various ways, firstly through production subsidies and secondly through protection, as government implemented binding high-tariff and non-tariff barriers to protect local producers from foreign suppliers. This protectionism has hampered the growth of exports to Indian markets (Promar, 2008: 4).

In the long term, the Indian market is projected to become the largest importer of fruits after they have reduced their trade barriers (Rabobank, 2007: 21 and Ernst and young, 2008: 20). Economic and social changes will also stimulate the consumption of fresh produce in India. Rabobank (2007) note that the rural Indian consumer is economically, socially and psychologically different from his or her urban counterpart. Therefore, it is important that exporters understand the consumer characteristics of all market segments. Rabobank (2007) further note that three to five years back, Indian consumers would not have eaten fruits which were not available on certain seasons, but today even in less developed cities, they expect all seasonal fruits to be available all year round (Rabobank, 2007: 23). The most important factors for the Indian market when it comes to buying fresh products are (i) the price of the product; (ii) the quality and freshness of the product; (iii) convenience and eating character; and (iv) branding and promotions of the product (Ernst and Young, 2008: 22 and Promar, 2008: 69)

6.4.3. Distribution channels and logistical constraints

Infrastructural development, cold-supply chain management, retail development and retail distribution across the country have been the primary focus of the Indian government over the last couple of years (Rabobank, 2007: 34). In recent years, massive developments have been made to (i) improve transport systems to facilitate the mobility of products within the country; (ii) improve cold storage facilities and (iii) reduce port congestion problems. A Rabobank (2007) investigation into the status quo of the Asian fresh market showed that transport systems (road and rail transport) have improved significantly in the last two years. Rabobank found that in some Asian countries, particularly India and Thailand, the wet markets are developing into tourist attractions, showcasing how fresh produce was sold in the old days. The improved infrastructure has facilitated the movement of products from traditional wet markets to the formal retail sector.

The Indian retail sector, consisting of over 15 million outlets, is estimated to provide employment to over 18 million people. The sector has been growing at a steady rate of over 5% per year and accounts for around 10% of the country's GDP (PricewaterCoopers, 2007: 67). The retail sector in India is highly fragmented and dominated by small, individually owned businesses. The organised retail sector is estimated to account for 5% of the overall market, but this percentage is anticipated to grow exponentially in the next ten years. The growth of the formal retail sector is driven by increasing incomes, growing exposure to overseas markets, availability of credit cards, increased life-style spending and higher consumer mobility. The key players in the formal retail sector are Shoppers Stop, Pantaloon, RPG Group and DS Group (PricewaterCoopers, 2007: 68 and Promar International, 2008: 15).

6.4.4. Other market barriers

Tariff barriers remain the biggest barrier in the Indian market. The market is protected by high binding tariff duties that limit import growth. The WEF report (2008) shows that this market has high tariff duties in place, which hampers the freedom to trade freely.

Indian consumers are becoming more health conscious and more concerned about food safety issues. Currently, there are more than twenty Indian laws and regulations relating to food safety

issues, some overlapping with others. A number of different Indian ministries and departments administer these laws and regulations (Apeda.com, 2008 and Promar International, 2008: 42). Many of the laws were drafted soon after independence, in conditions different from today, when India was in the early stages of ensuring food self sufficiency, and the food industry was in an emerging stage and faced with different challenges.

The focus of these food laws is aimed at one or more of the following: to (a) prevent food adulteration; (b) regulate hygienic conditions of processing/manufacturing; (c) protect domestic agriculture and livestock from pests and diseases; (d) inform consumers about the products they eat (such as vegetarian or non-vegetarian, price, etc.) and (e) provide product specifications. Most of the existing food laws are equally applicable to imported food and fresh products. Implementation of these food laws and regulations is constrained by lack of trained manpower and infrastructure to conduct testing samples (Apeda.com, 2008). The Government of India (GOI) is in the process of implementing the Food Safety Standards Act of 2006, a single statute relating to food, in place of the existing multiplicity of food laws, and establishing a single regulator to replace the existing multiplicity of regulators. These pending agricultural standards will influence the growth of exports to India in the near future (Apeda.com, 2008).

6.4.5. India as trade partner for South Africa

6.4.5.1. Significance of Indian markets to SA producers

India has a population size of 1.19 billion. The Indian urban population is projected to increase from 28% to 40% of the total population by 2020, and incomes are simultaneously expected to grow in these segments (Global Insight, 2008 and UN, 2007). The Indian consumer's lifestyle and profile is also evolving rapidly (Promar International, 2008: 7). Young Indian consumers are adopting a Western style of living and eating. They are demanding more fresh and healthy food (e.g. fruits and vegetables) and fewer staple products.

India is the world's fourth-largest economy when measured in terms of GDP, and is expected to rank third by 2012, just behind the US and China (Global Insight, 2008). The country is on the brink of becoming an economic powerhouse, ready to unleash its largely untapped potential for those who are willing to take the right step forward (Ernst and Young, 2008: 10). Over the last few years, the retail sector has become one of the fastest growing sectors of the Indian economy.

Organised retail is expected to grow to 12% of the Indian retail industry in the next five years (Rabobank, 2007: 36, and Ernst and Young, 2008: 11).

Going forward, Indian retail sectors are likely to see an increase in the adoption of Supply Chain Management (SCM) solutions to improve core business processes such as global sourcing, distribution, innovation and visibility in financial and inventory management (Ernst and Young, 2008: 13). While the opportunities in Indian retail are growing, South African exporters must be aware that the consumer culture, business practices and industry dynamics in India can differ substantially from what they are accustomed to in European markets. They must also consider the high binding tariff duties that are set by Indian government.

6.4.5.2. How Indian markets differ from European markets

India has similar characteristics to China, and they both differ from the traditional South African fresh fruit export market. The factors that influence consumers' decision to purchase fruits include price, appearance, size of berry, packaging material and taste. Indian consumers are price sensitive and purchase products in bulk to meet the demands of large family sizes. They differ from European consumers, who concentrate on product quality and are willing to pay higher prices for premium products.

Unlike Europe, the Indian market is highly protected by tariff duties, a measure put in place by government to protect local Indian producers. The high tariffs increase the export costs of South African products in India. The Indian market is less protected by stringent technical and environmental barriers when compared to many European countries. The pricing mechanisms of Indian importers are also different to European importers, as they trade table grapes based on Fixed Price Mechanism (FPM), which ensures exporters guaranteed returns.

6.5. Conclusions

Factors such as geographical location (i.e. shorter shipping distances to the EU), duty-free access to markets, and growing demand for seedless varieties, as well as sustained demand for seeded varieties in Eastern Europe will continue to favour South African exports to Europe. However, the viability and profitability of Europe as an export market will be affected by increasing competition from other southern hemisphere countries and expanding food safety and quality

regulations in Europe. Product differentiation and transparent packaging materials will boost South Africa's competitive advantage in the highly competitive conditions in Europe.

The emerging Eastern markets are showing growing trade opportunities, driven by rapid retail growth, robust economic growth and high urbanisation rates. The Chinese market is growing rapidly and table grape consumption is increasing significantly. This market places high value on seedless varieties, particularly red cultivars. China is a price-sensitive market and prefers grape cultivars that have a large berry size and good eating character (i.e. crispy berries with high sugar levels and good colour development). This market presents considerable trade opportunities to South African exporters when measured in terms of consumer size, growing price strength and infrastructural developments.

India has a relatively young population when compared to many other countries in the world. Indian household incomes are expected to rise by almost three times during the next two decades. This will largely be fuelled by continuing growth of India's service sector, increased productivity of businesses and the general opening up of the Indian economy. India is projected to become the fifth-largest consumer market in the world by 2025 (Promar International, 2008: 6). India is an important market for seedless cultivars, but certain seeded cultivars such as Red Globe have good potential in this market. Table 11, below, provides a summary of the market drivers and market characteristics of all three selected markets.

Table 11: Market drivers and characteristics of the EU, Chinese and Indian table grape markets

Parameters	Sub-Parameters	EU	China	India
Market overview	Market Drivers	<p>Shorter shipping time to EU markets is one of the major factors that promotes exports from SA.</p> <p>The duty-free access to EU by SA exporters is without doubt the biggest attractor of SA exports.</p> <p>Higher earnings and health consciousness among consumers promote the consumption of fresh fruit in the EU.</p> <p>High income drives environmental consciousness as the force behind environmental health standards, limiting market access.</p>	<p>The developing economy and rising household incomes present new trade opportunities for SA exporters in China.</p> <p>Globalisation (i.e. retail growth, trade liberalisation, urbanisation, etc.) is a major driver of development in China.</p> <p>Developing consumers promotes consumption of imported fruits.</p>	<p>The developing economy and rising household incomes present new trade opportunities for SA exporters in India.</p> <p>Globalisation (i.e. retail growth, trade liberalisation, urbanisation etc.) is a major driver of development in India.</p> <p>Developing consumers promotes consumption of imported fruits.</p>

	Protection Measures	Technical and environmental management requirements are the main barriers to trading with the EU.	Technical barriers (e.g. SPS and traceability issues) and psychological issues (e.g. level of trust and credibility when sharing information) remain the biggest barriers to trade in China.	High tariff duties and poorly developed infrastructures inhibit export growth to India. Psychological issues also play a significant role in the success of doing business with India.
	Market Characteristics	<p>EU markets have developed infrastructural networks that facilitate the raping mobility of products within the markets.</p> <p>The markets are highly concerned with food safety issues and have tight regulations that govern exports from SA.</p>	<p>Infrastructural development (e.g. port expansions, cold-store developments and road networks) is growing steadily in China.</p> <p>The markets are less concerned with food safety issues compared with the EU, but it is believed that as markets develop, consumers will start showing more awareness in this area.</p>	<p>The infrastructural development (e.g. port expansions, cold-store developments and road networks) is growing strongly in India</p> <p>The markets are less concern with food safety issues as compared with the EU, but it is believed that as markets develop consumers will start show more awareness in this area.</p>

Marketing Approach	Marketing Tactics or Business Model	<p>Reliability is the major factor that determines success in EU markets. EU importers want exporters who can deliver products on time and who will assure them premium quality.</p> <p>White cultivars are popular in EU markets, and their quality is measured by their level of shininess (shiny grapes represent high quality), absence of foreign material and size of berries. The demand for Red and Black cultivars is also good in these markets.</p> <p>Transparent packaging (punnets) is gaining popularity with EU retailers, as it allows consumers to select and evaluate the product without handling it. This also prolongs the shelf-life of the products.</p>	<p>Level of trust developed with exporters is crucial for the success in doing business with China. Their business approach is different from EU clients, as they prefer to conduct business deals in face-to-face meetings rather than through using modern technology to communicate. The Chinese are also keen on doing business with countries/partners who will share their production technologies with them, so that they can produce the same product themselves in the future.</p> <p>Red grapes are popular in this market but there is a growing demand for black and white grapes in the upscale market.</p>	<p>Level of trust and reliability are the key factors for success in India. They are also keen to trade with partners who are willing to share their production technologies, so that they can produce a similar product themselves in the future.</p> <p>Just like China, India also attaches high value to red grapes because of their colour and taste.</p>
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	Packaging Material	Transparent packaging materials are preferred. Product information (e.g. origin of produce, product type and product size) must be included on the packaging material.	Larger sized packaging materials are preferred Product information (e.g. origin of produce, product type and product size) must be included on the packaging material.	Larger sized packaging materials are preferred Product information (e.g. origin of produce, product type and product size) must be included on the packaging material.
	Pricing Mechanism	MGP is used for procuring products from South Africa.	FPM is used for procuring table grapes from South Africa.	FPM is used for procuring table grapes from South Africa.
Export Chain	Shipping Costs	Shipping time of up to six days. Sea-freight cost per carton (4.5 kg) to ports such as Rotterdam (Netherlands) is R10.18, and to Tilbury (UK) is R10.42.	Shipping time of 23 days under cold sterilisation. Sea-freight cost per carton (4.5 kg) to port of Hong Kong, or Shanghai is R6.53.	Sea-freight cost per carton (4.5 kg) to port of Nheva Sheva in India is R6.62.

	Export Compliance (e.g. protocol, SPS)	Phytosanitary certificate required when exporting table grapes to the EU. Sanitary requirements include compliance with traceability, food safety and MRL additives.	Phytosanitary requirements (e.g. protocol). No sanitary requirements.	Phytosanitary requirements (e.g. phyto-certificate). No sanitary requirements.
Production	Product Type	Both seeded and seedless cultivars are popular.	Seedless cultivars are popular, but certain seeded cultivars such as Red Globe are also popular.	Seedless cultivars are popular, but certain seeded cultivars such as Red Globe are also popular.
	Cultivar choice implications for South African producers	The current industry cultivar profile is suitable for supplying European markets therefore, producers need to maintain the high-quality standards.	Producers need to adjust their cultivar compositions to meet the characteristics of both Eastern and European markets. This will affect the farms' cash flows as producers uproot the less demanded cultivars with new, popular cultivars.	Producers need to adjust their cultivar compositions to meet the characteristics of both Eastern and European markets. This will affect the farms' cash flows as producers uproot the less demanded cultivars with new, popular cultivars.

	Product Character-istics	Quality is the main concern, followed by taste. If consumers were dissatisfied with product taste after the first purchase, it will take them more than 23 days to repurchase the same cultivar. Quality is measured by large berry size, crispy eating character, appearance and shininess.	Product price is the main determinant of consumer purchasing decisions. Red grapes are the favourites of consumers. Level of bloom left on berries, size of berries, absence of foreign material and sweetness are the main determinants of quality.	Product price is the main determinant of consumer purchasing decisions. Red grapes are the favourites of consumers. Level of bloom left on berries, size of berries, absence of foreign material and sweetness are the main determinants of quality.
	Environ-mental Requirements	Environmental management (i.e. saving the planet) is important to importers. Carbon foot-print issues are also increasing in the supermarkets.	Environmental management concerns are not a big issue yet. It is expected that as formal retailers increase their market shares, these will become an important non-tariff barrier in these markets.	Environmental management concerns are not a big issue yet. It is expected that as formal retailers increase their market share, this will become an important non-tariff barrier in these markets.
	Socio-economic Requirements	Socio-economic issues have drawn lot of attention in supermarkets recently. This includes 'ethical trade', which entails evaluating the living conditions of farm workers. Ethical trade is seen by producers as another non-tariff barrier in European markets.	Socio-economic issues are not yet a major concern but are expected to become so as international retailers increase their market shares in China.	Socio-economic issues are not yet a major concern but are expected to become so as international retailers increase their market shares in India.

Source: Author

CHAPTER 7

NUMERICAL ESTIMATES AND SCENARIO OUTLINES

7.1. Introduction

The previous chapter provides qualitative information on the EU market and the emerging Eastern markets for table grapes. In this chapter, the focus is on quantitative information on the different markets. This quantitative information is presented as numerical estimates of current and future indicators to complement the qualitative information.

In the next section, three scenarios are presented and discussed. The impact of changes in market distribution under each scenario on farm financial viability is determined using a farm-level model. The performance of farms under each scenario is analysed in a comparison format using IRR as a performance indicator. The farm-level models are then linked to a sector model to evaluate the general effect of diversifying the markets in the table grape industry. The general performance of the table grape industry in each scenario is measured in terms of value growth (i.e. the worth of the industry).

7.2. Scenario 1: Continuation of the current market situation (85% EU and 15% others)

Figure 14 graphically represents market volume distribution under Scenario 1. The volumes exported to emerging Eastern markets such as the Far East, the Middle East, and Asia are kept at 4% each. The bulk of South African volumes is exported to the UK and continental Europe, accounting for 85% of South Africa's total exports.

There are various factors that have promoted the current market situation, including (i) a sound understanding of traditional markets and well-structured retail sectors in traditional markets; (ii) a lack of understanding of emerging Eastern markets (South African exporters consider eastern markets as high-risk markets, and the price received does not compensate for the magnitude of market risk involved) and (iii) a favourable shorter distance between Europe and South Africa resulting in fewer shipping days, which has proven to be a strong comparative advantage to South Africa when compared with other southern hemisphere countries.

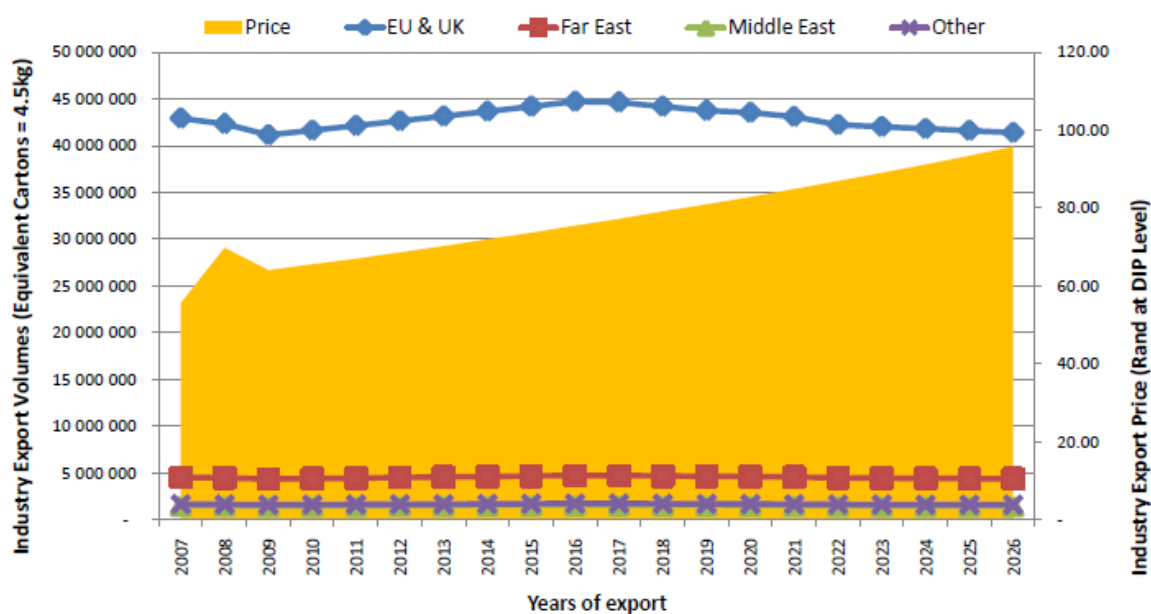


Figure 14: Table grape export market diversification outlook and industry price growth under Scenario 1

Source: Own calculations

7.2.1. Sector model results under Scenario 1

The financial analysis presented in the graph above reflects a pessimistic picture of the prospects of the table grape industry under Scenario 1. The sector model results show that the industry export price is growing at a steady rate of 2% per year, while industry export volumes are maintained at 50 million cartons per year (see Figure 14, above, and Annexure I: Table 1). The table grape export price increased by 30% in 2008 due to a shortage in volumes from southern hemisphere countries and a weaker rand against the pound and euro. Since then, the export price has dropped by 11% due to recession conditions that contracted the demand for table grapes in traditional markets. In the short term, the industry price is projected to decline by an average rate of 1% per year due to poor market conditions and low product demand. The price is expected to recover after three years as consumers start to regain their buying power. Consumer buying confidence is expected to regain its strength after 2011, and this will trigger more spending on fruits. In the medium term, the sector model results project an increasing industry price of 2.3% per year. This steadily increasing medium-term trend is stimulated by a production shift to more popular cultivars with more desirable characteristics, the weaker exchange rate (rand against the euro and pound) and investments in product-packaging innovation. The industry value is projected to grow by an average rate of 2% per year (see Annexure I: Table 1).

7.2.2. Farm-level model results under Scenario 1

The farm-level model results reflect a disquieting situation compared to the sector results under Scenario 1. The model simulation shows that the average growth rate of the realised export price on the Western Cape farm is 2% while on the Northern region farm it is 3% per year (see Figure 15, below). The lower price growth rate is caused by strong competition from alternate southern hemisphere suppliers in traditional markets and increasing export costs. The other contributing factor to this poor price growth is poor market conditions that are rooted in stagnating consumption level in Europe and the compliance costs of increasing food safety and quality standards.

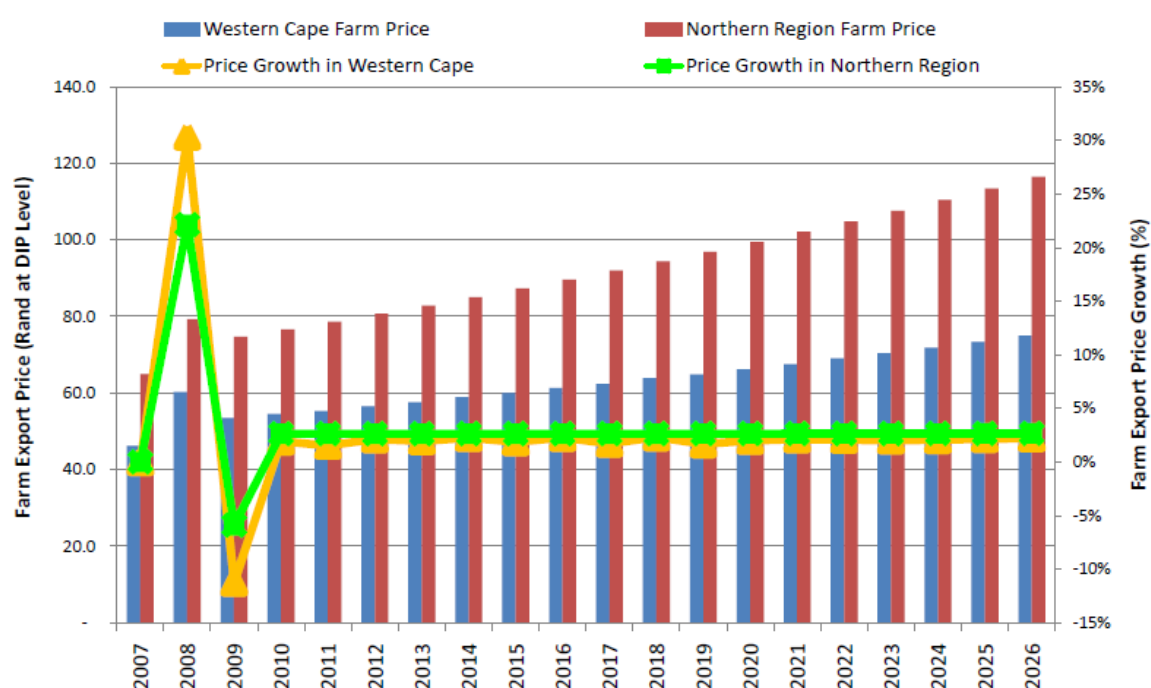


Figure 15: Realised export price growth for the Western Cape and Northern region farms under Scenario 1

Source: Own calculations

Under Scenario 1, the table grape farms' profitability is further weakened by constantly rising production costs. Production costs grow at a higher rate than the low growth rate of the farms' export prices. Labour and packaging inputs are the largest contributors to total farm production costs. The latter is the biggest worry for producers, as deforestation is taking place throughout the country. The chemical costs relating to production are projected to increase by an average rate of 4% per year, while packaging material will increase by 6% per year over the next five years(UAP, 2008; Nexus, 2008; BASF, 2008 and Kaap-Agri, 2008).

The regional performance indicator (i.e. IRR) shows that Western Cape producers will suffer most under Scenario 1 in the next 20 years. The IRR for the Western Cape farm is simulated to be 16.88% (see Annexure C: Table 1), while for the Northern region farm, it is 22.62% (see Annexure D: Table 1). The lower IRR for the Western Cape farm is caused by constantly increasing production costs and low export price growth. The Western Cape farm faces high competition from Chile and Argentina as these two countries compete directly with Western Cape produce during their marketing time in Europe. The increasing export costs (e.g. shipping costs and overseas handling and distribution costs) also contribute to the low profitability of the Western Cape farm.

The Northern region farm displays a better IRR due to the high prices received from Europe prior to the Christmas period. The market competition during this time is not large, as the quantities exported from Namibia, Peru and Brazil are still relatively small and do not affect the market prices significantly. The Northern region farm enters the harvesting period two months earlier than the Western Cape farm, consequently receiving better export prices.

7.2.3. Implications for the South African table grape industry

Diminishing returns and stagnating export volumes will have a negative impact on the table grape industry and the country at large. The country will be faced with a rising unemployment rate as farm workers will lose their jobs due to the shrinking table grape industry (other fruit industry are less labour intensive as compared to table grape industry). The number of table grape producers has already started to decline and will continue to do so, largely as a result of the consolidation of farming units (SATI, 2009). Table grape producers are expanding their farm sizes in order to gain economies of scale, which will help mitigate the impact of rising production and export costs as well as stagnating export prices. Table grape producers are starting to diversify their farming enterprises and uproot some of their table grape vineyards, and plant other commodities such as wine grapes and citrus products. The diversification of enterprises on the farms helps producers mitigate the problems of farm cash flows. The diversification of farm enterprises will further strain the growth of the table grape industry under Scenario 1.

7.3. Scenario 2A: Slowly focusing on emerging markets (60% EU and 40% others)

Under Scenario 2A, table grape industry stakeholders acknowledge the need to redistribute export volumes away from traditional markets and sell them to developing markets. Stakeholders feel that redistribution should be done slowly to allow both exporters and producers an opportunity first to understand the operations and structures of emerging Eastern markets (i.e. Far East and Middle East). In this scenario, stakeholders argue that producers should not rush the redistribution process, but rather immediately focus their energy and resources on product differentiation and packaging innovation. The product innovation will provide South Africa with a competitive advantage, as they will be offering consumers a new product in the markets. Therefore, in this scenario, South African export volumes are slowly redistributed from Europe to other markets, with the distribution process taking 14 years before the desired market diversification targets are achieved.

The diagram in Figure 16, below, graphically represents the South African export market distribution under Scenario 2A. The emerging Eastern markets such as the Far East and Middle East will be absorbing 27% and 7% of South Africa's total exports, per year, respectively. The bulk of South African volumes (60%) will still be exported to the UK and continental Europe.

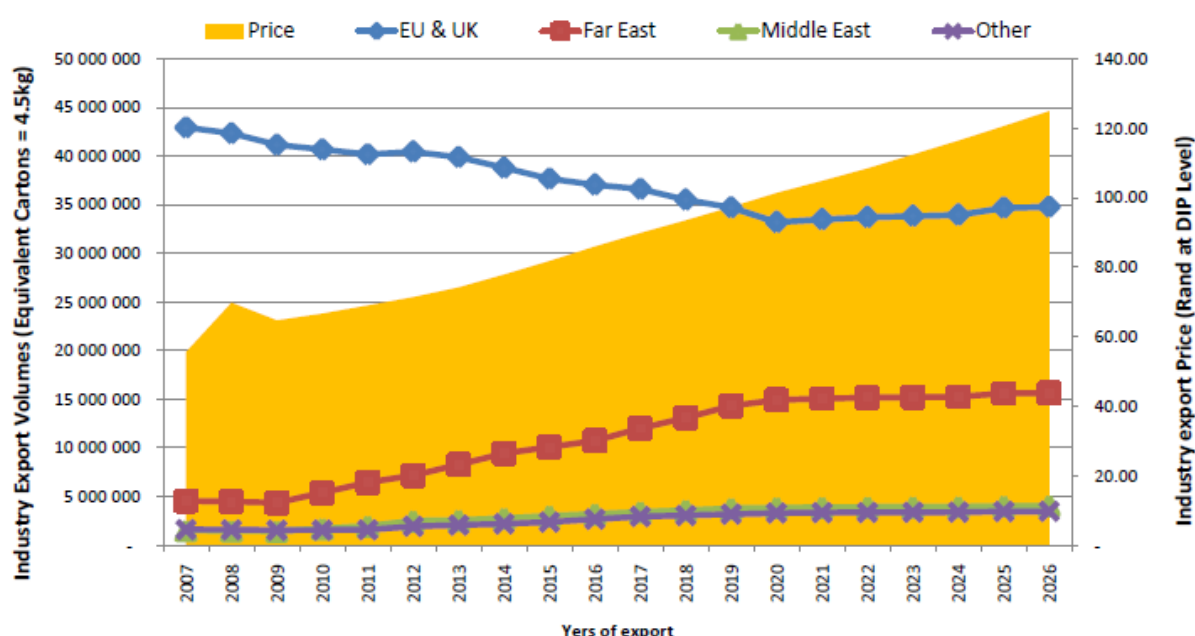


Figure 16: Table grape export market diversification outlook and industry price growth under Scenario 2A

Source: Own calculations

The driving forces for Scenario 2A are divided into two groups: (i) push factors, which include (a) strong competition in traditional markets that are pushing South African producers to find alternative markets for their products, and (b) stringent technical and environmental barriers in traditional markets that are restricting export growth; and (ii) pull factors, which include (a) globalisation, which has stimulated the growth of formal retailers in emerging countries such as China and India – globalisation is also promoting life-style changes, as Asian and African consumers are starting to eat more healthy foods such as vegetables and fruits, and these present new trade opportunities for fruit exporting countries; and (b) stronger economic growth in Asian and African countries. Economic growth is facilitating the urbanisation rate in countries such as China and India, and also stimulating higher household incomes. The higher incomes mean consumers will be willing to buy expensive and luxurious products such as table grapes. The urbanisation rate has a tendency to bring people together in the main cities, consequently making it easier to supply these people as they live in one area rather than scattered over rural areas. The other driving factor in this scenario is trade liberalisation, which has promoted the opening of Asian markets to South Africa. Trade liberalisation aims to reduce trade barriers, thus stimulating a free and fair trade environment.

7.3.1. Sector model results under Scenario 2A

The European market has a large influence on industry export prices as the bulk (60% of total export) of South African volumes are exported to Europe. Under Scenario 2A, the industry export price is projected to increase by an average rate of 4% per year (see Figure 17, below). The stronger industry price growth is noticed in the short term. The short-term price strength is supported by the relocation of export volumes from Europe to Eastern markets, and with the traditional markets being properly supplied, the result is smaller fluctuations in prices during the grape season. Furthermore, the export prices realised from Asian markets such as the Far East and Middle East are strengthening. These prices are boosted by improving consumer incomes due to strong regional economic growth in Asia. Consumers from Asian countries are less concerned with environmental issues, and this means production and export costs to Asian countries are lower than for European markets. South African producers export higher volumes to Asian markets and have also improved the quality of exported products. Asian importers realise South Africa's commitment and are willing to pay premium prices for high-quality products. They have switched to more popular cultivars with desired characteristics, which

coupled with innovative packaging, have also had a positive effect on South African prices in the medium-term for both traditional and emerging markets.

Industry export volumes will increase by an average rate of 1.2% per year under Scenario 2A, and this increase is driven by factors such as improved yield per hectare and newly planted vines entering their full bearing capacity. The sustained industry export growth is supported by a growing consumption of table grapes in Asian and African markets. The consumption rate is projected to increase significantly in Asian markets due to increasing incomes and a growing need for fresh products (Promar International, 2008 and Rabobank, 2008). The short term is seen as a reshuffling period, where current volumes are relocated from traditional markets and distributed to emerging markets. The projected industry price and export volumes were simulated to produce the industry value under Scenario 2A. The industry value is estimated to increase at an average rate of 5% per year (see Annexure I: Table 2).

7.3.2. Farm-level model results under Scenario 2A

The industry export price under Scenario 2A is projected to be higher due to better volume distribution and more focus on producing and exporting popular cultivars with desired market characteristics. The farms' realised export prices are expected to be higher when compared with Scenario 1. The farm-level model results show that the Northern region farm's table grape export price will increase at an average rate of 4% per year. The Western Cape farm's table grape export price will increase by an average rate of 5% per year in the same period. This strong growth in the Western Cape farm's price indicates that this region will benefit strongly if the industry diversifies its products to emerging markets. This is largely because of the strong competition faced by Western Cape producers in traditional markets, and this competition will be lowered if a certain percentage of export volumes is relocated to Eastern markets.

The stronger price growth for the Western Cape farm is experienced in the short term as it redistributes its volumes to Eastern markets, but this is lowered by Chile and Argentina in the long term, as they fill up the gap left by South Africans in Europe. The seeded cultivars from the Berg and Hex River are harvested two to three weeks earlier than Chile's seeded cultivars (SATI, 2008a and SHAFPE, 2008). Under better market diversification conditions, this will mean that South African seeded cultivars will be enjoying seeded niche markets in Europe without these being oversupplied, which was the case under Scenario 1, where South African seeded cultivars were oversupplying the markets during their low-competition window period.

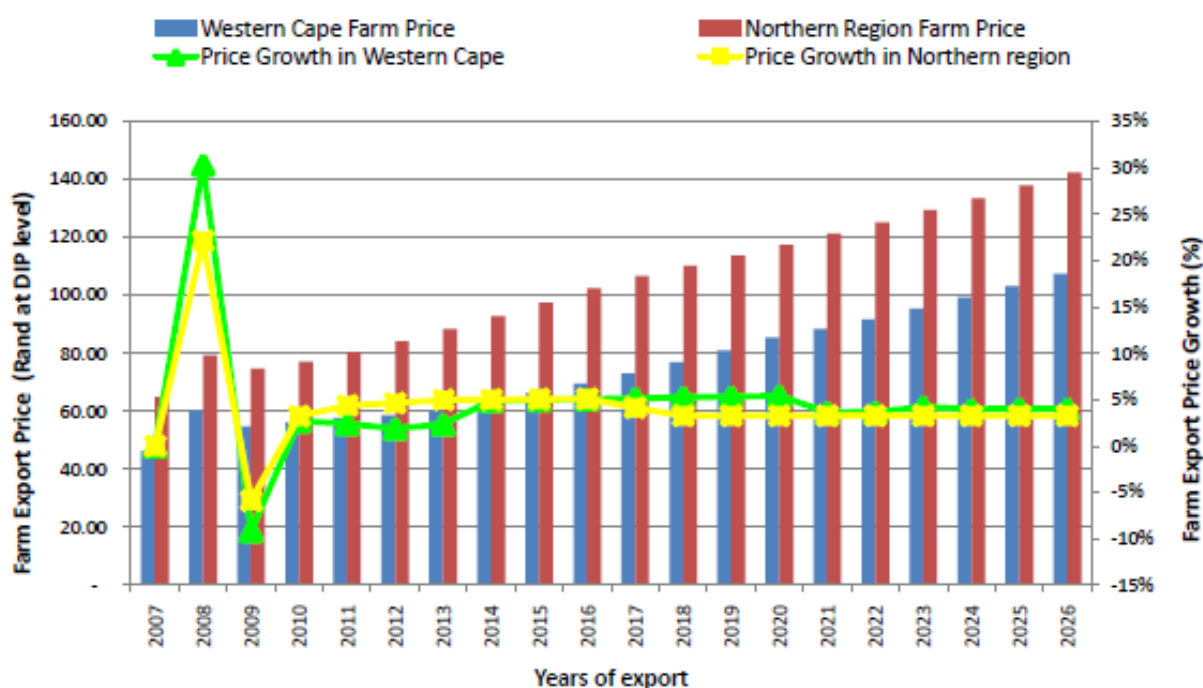


Figure 17: Realised export price growth for Western Cape and Northern region farms under Scenario 2A

Source: Own calculations

The production input prices are expected to be the same as in Scenario 1, except for establishment costs. The establishment costs under Scenario 2A will be higher, as early replacements of less-profitable cultivars will be conducted in an attempt to have more market-driven cultivars. The replacement costs will have a significant impact on farm cash flow, but the higher returns are expected to compensate for the replacement costs in the medium to long term (see Annexure E for the Western Cape farm, and Annexure F for the Northern region farm).

Using IRR as the regions' performance indicators, the farm model calculated the IRR for the Western Cape farm as 23.65% (see Annexure E: Table 1) and for the Northern region farm as 26.52% (see Annexure F: Table 1). The IRR results confirm that mid-and late-season regions such as the Hex River and Berg River will benefit (largely due to properly supplied markets) if the industry diversified its volumes to emerging markets. The IRR for the Western Cape farm increased from 16.88% to 23.65% for this scenario, while for the Northern region farm, there was no significant change in the IRR percentage (increased from 22.62% to 26.52%). The reason for this is that the Northern region producers face less competition in European markets during

their marketing window periods, as their direct competitors (e.g. Peru, Namibia and Brazil) export small quantities during this period. Therefore, diversifying markets will have less impact on Northern region producers compared to the high impact on their counterparts in the Western Cape.

7.3.3. Implications for the South African table grape industry

The future of the table grape industry under Scenario 2A appears promising when compared to the industry picture that was revealed under Scenario 1. In this scenario, the industry grows when measured in terms of volumes exported and area under table grape production. The increasing area under table grape production indicates that more jobs are created by the table grape industry, thus more people are employed. Therefore, in this scenario, the unemployment rate is reduced and the socio-economic status of South Africans is enhanced. The increasing industry price and growing export volumes result in an increasing industry value (increasing the industry's percentage contribution to the country's GDP).

7.4. Scenario 2B: Rapidly focusing on emerging markets (60% EU and 40% others)

Scenario 2B has the same characteristics as Scenario 2A, and is driven by more or less similar forces. The main difference between the two is the time taken to achieve the set distribution targets (i.e. export 60% to the EU and 40% to other markets). Scenario 2B projects that increasing competition from alternative southern hemisphere suppliers will have a severe impact on the South African table grape industry if the industry does not explore and develop new markets for their products at a faster rate than what was visualised in Scenario 2A. Scenario 2B is largely encouraged by improving market intelligence that enables exporters to analyse and understand emerging markets faster and more thoroughly. The availability of this information will help exporters to identify market niches in emerging markets and therefore supply the developing markets successfully. Under Scenario 2B, some of the South African export volumes are rapidly removed from traditional markets and shipped to emerging markets, and the redistribution process takes nine years before the desired market diversification targets are achieved.

Figure 18, represents the South African export market distribution under Scenario 2B. It is evident from the graph that South African export volumes are adequately diversified to all markets according to their consumer size and economic growth. Exports to the Far East and Middle East grow rapidly, while exports to Europe show a decline. When the market distribution is completed, the European markets will absorb 60% of South Africa's total export volumes, the Far East will absorb 27%, the Middle East 7% and other markets will absorb the rest (which is 6% of total export volumes).

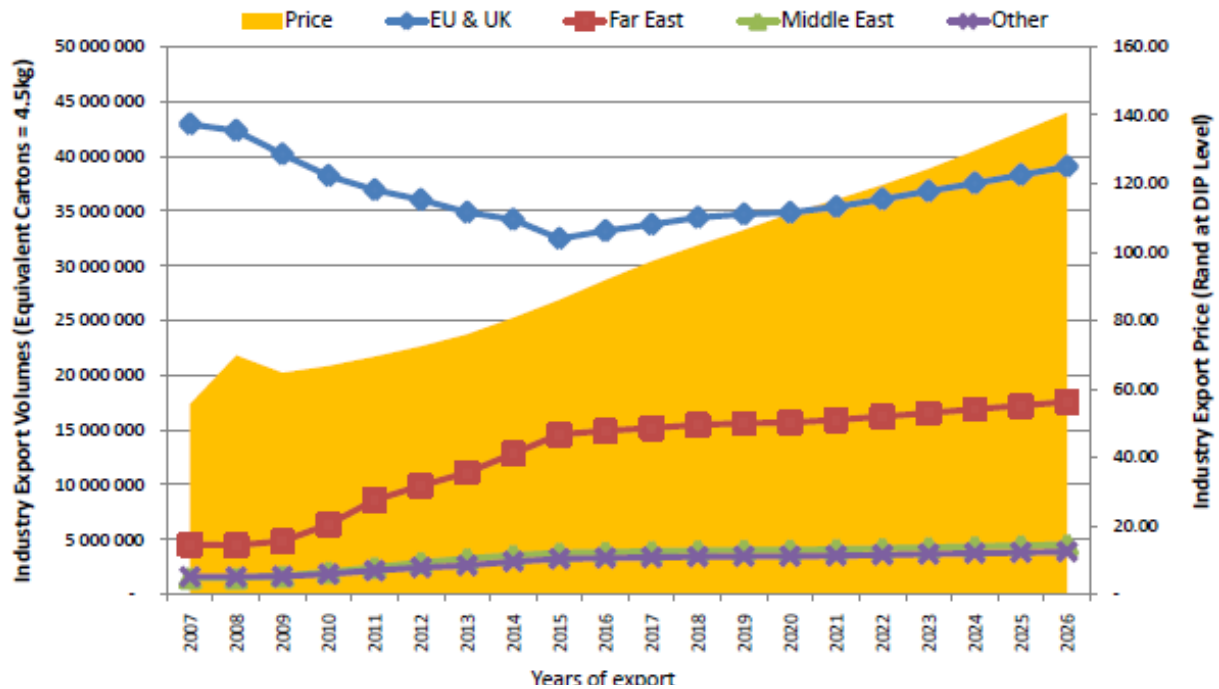


Figure 18: Table grape export market diversification outlook and industry price growth under Scenario 2B

Source: Own calculations

As in Scenario 2A, this scenario is driven by globalisation, trade liberalisation, availability of market intelligence information and stronger economic growth in Asian and African countries. The EU's diminishing returns to South African producers motivate producers to find suitable markets for their products. The constantly increasing export volumes from alternative suppliers push South African producers to explore new markets for their products.

7.4.1. Sector model results under Scenario 2B

The financial analysis of drivers for Scenario 2B shows a progressive and prosperous table grape industry. The industry export price is projected to increase by 5% per year under Scenario 2B. The stronger price growth is supported by (i) rapid redistribution of volumes away from Europe to emerging Eastern markets; (ii) the availability of reliable market intelligence that enables South African exporters to identify market niches in emerging markets and supply these developing markets successfully, and (iii) the weaker exchange rate, which also strengthens the table grape prices that are received from Europe. The sustained price growth rate is also stimulated by more focus on producing popular cultivars with desirable characteristics and more investment in product-packaging innovation. The higher growth in the industry price is noticeable in the short term when volumes are relocated from the EU to Eastern markets.

The industry's export volume shows an increasing trend under Scenario 2B. The sector model results reveal an export growth rate of 2% per year. This promising export growth rate is promoted by (i) large numbers of vines entering their full bearing capacity in the medium term; (ii) volumes being relocated from local markets to export markets, as international markets pay better prices compared with local markets and (iii) new cultivars yield more compared with old cultivars, which means more will be produced per area planted. The prospering international markets and increasing returns will encourage producers to increase their production, resulting in increased export volumes. The red and black seedless varieties are expected to lead the growing production in the short and medium term as these gain popularity in the emerging Eastern markets and in Eastern Europe. Under Scenario 2B, the table grape industry's value is expected to grow by an average rate of 6% per year (see Annexure I: Table 3).

7.4.2. Farm-level model results under Scenario 2B

The farm export price for the Northern region is forecast to grow at an average rate of 5%, while the farm export price for the Western Cape is estimated to grow at an average rate of 6%, from a low base. This strong growth in the Western Cape farm's price indicates that this region will benefit strongly if the industry diversifies its products to emerging markets. This is largely because of the high competition faced by Western Cape producers in traditional markets, and this competition will be lowered if a certain percentage of export volumes is relocated to Eastern

markets. The stronger price growth of the Western Cape farm is experienced in the short term as they redistribute their volumes to Eastern markets, but this is lowered by Chile and Argentina in the long term, as they fill the gap left by South Africa in Europe. The shift in focus towards higher yielding and popular seedless cultivars has positive effects on South African export prices. The intensive investments in quality produce and packaging innovation also stimulate the higher export prices for South African farms (see Figure 19, below).

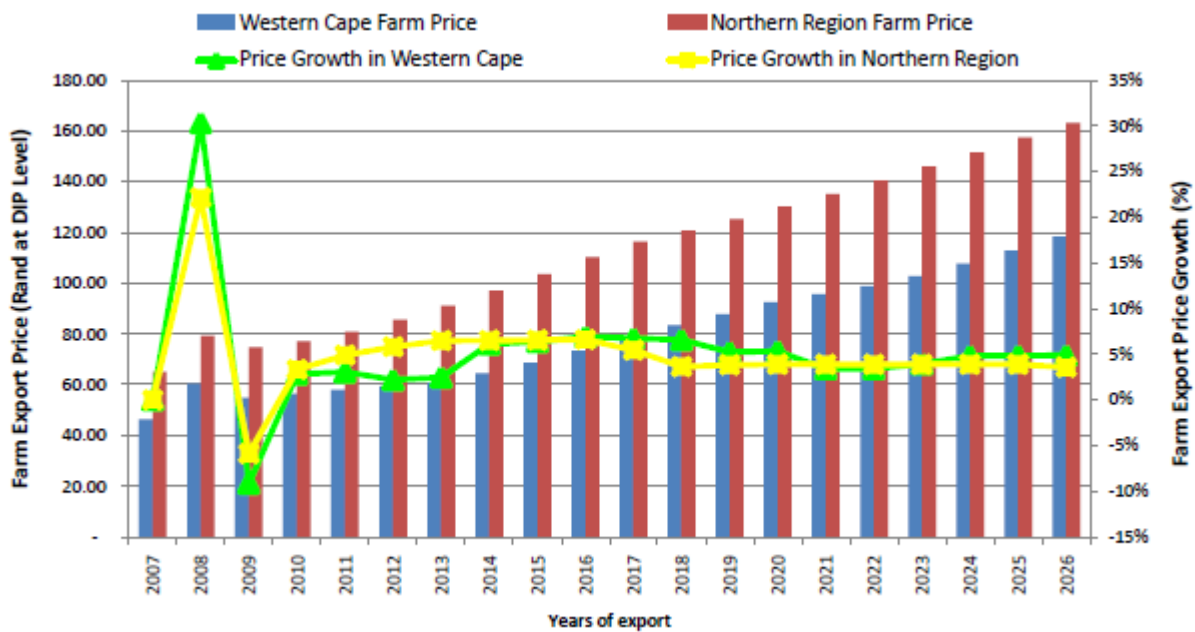


Figure 19: Realised export price growth for Western Cape and Northern region farms under Scenario 2B

Source: Own calculations

Using IRR as the regions' performance indicator, the farm model calculated the IRR for the Western Cape farm as 28.92% and for the Northern region farm as 27.02% (see Annexure G: Table 1 for the Western Cape farm, and Annexure H: Table 1 for the Northern region farm). The IRR results confirm that mid and late South African regions such as the Hex River and Berg River will benefit largely if the industry diversifies its volumes to emerging markets. This is because of the strong competition it faces under current market conditions.

7.4.3. Implications for the South African table grape industry

The benefits of diversifying the export markets and replacing non profitable cultivars with new popular cultivars includes (i) increasing export prices, thus increasing the industry's value (larger industry percentage contribution to the country's GDP); (ii) increasing export quantities, resulting in greater job creation (i.e. uplifting the social and economic status of South Africans) and supporting government's vision of reducing the unemployment rate and eradicating poverty; and (iii) by efficiently utilising both European and Eastern markets, the industry not only stabilises price fluctuations, but also complements the effort of government to open new markets for South Africa. This will encourage government to further negotiate better trade agreements with Eastern countries.

7.5. Summary

7.5.1. Sector model results: comparison of all three scenarios

The graph in Figure 20, below, compares industry gains under all three scenarios. The average industry export volumes increase from 50 million cartons per year under Scenario 1 to 53 million cartons per year under Scenario 2A and 56 million cartons per year under Scenario 2B. The industry export price increases by an average rate of 2% per year under Scenario 1, 4% per year under Scenario 2A, and 5% per year under Scenario 2B. This suggests that the table grape industry will be better off under Scenario 2B, validating the benefits of having adequately diversified export markets.

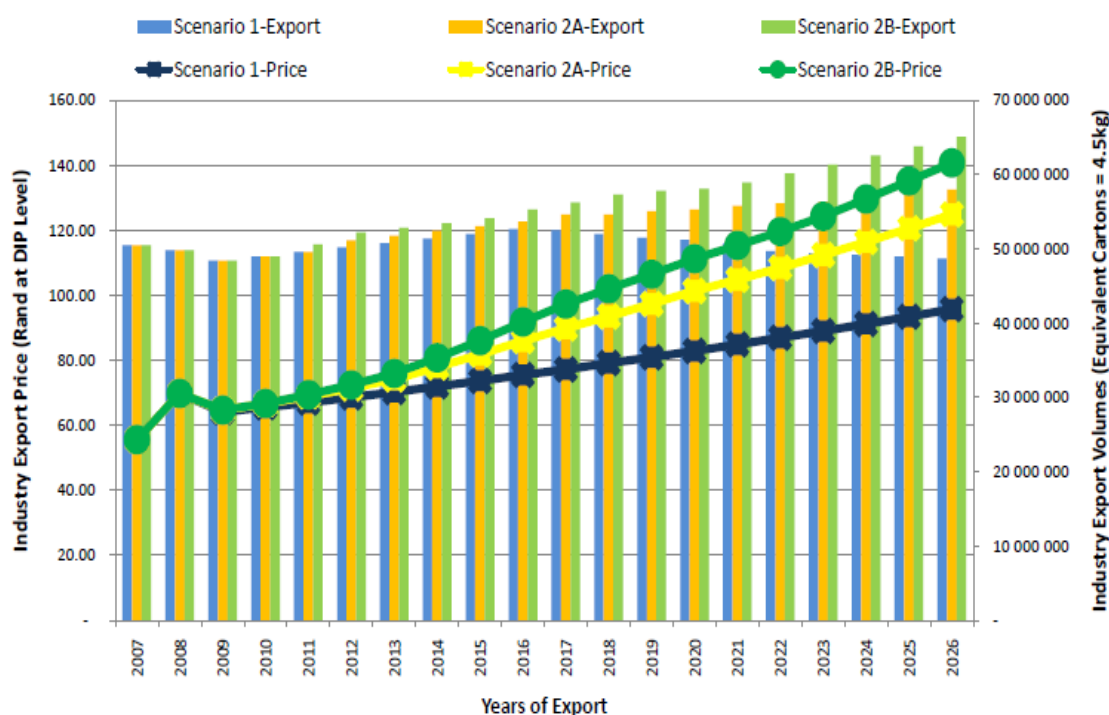


Figure 20: Industry export volumes and price growth under all three scenarios
Source: Own calculations

7.5.2. Farm-level model results: comparison of all three scenarios

Table 12, below, compares the performances of typical Western Cape and Northern region farms under all three scenarios. The stronger IRR growth for the typical Western Cape farm under Scenario 2A and Scenario 2B compared with Scenario 1 is due to the increasing export price and the increasing yield under these scenarios. The yield per hectare of the Northern region farm does not vary significantly under all three scenarios. The Northern region farm is a price setter in the markets, as it commences its harvest and export seasons two months earlier than its Western Cape counterpart. This means that its production strategy should facilitate early cultivar maturation and premium quality so that the price is set at the highest level. In the Western Cape, producers are price takers and they have less power in setting the market price level as they enter the market late in the season. The Western Cape production strategy is to promote a higher yield per hectare, thus creating a high pack-out percentage to obtain large export volumes. Figure 21, below, reflects the production strategies practised by the Western Cape and Northern region farms.

Table 12: Farm-level results for Western Cape and Northern region farms under all three scenarios

Indicator	Western Cape Farm			Northern Region Farm		
	Scenario 1	Scenario 2A	Scenario 2B	Scenario 1	Scenario 2A	Scenario 2B
Average growth/year (%): 20 yrs	2%	4%	5%	3%	4%	5%
Average price growth/year (R/carton = 4.5kg): 20 yrs	R64	R78	R83	R96	R112	R120
IRR	16.8%	23.6%	28.9%	22.6%	26.5%	27.02%
Replacement intensity	No replacement	Within first 14 years	Within first nine years	No replacement	Within first 14 years	Within first nine years
Increased yield per hectare	0%	2.9%	5.7%	0%	0.5%	1.4%

Source: Own calculations

The diagram below (Figure 21) shows that the higher the product quality, the higher the expected price. The Northern region farm adopts a production strategy that promotes high quality, while the Western Cape farm's production strategy is to promote a higher yield per hectare, and thus a high pack-out percentage to obtain large export volumes. It is this production strategy that results in an increasing yield per hectare for the Western Cape farm under Scenarios 2A and Scenario 2B.

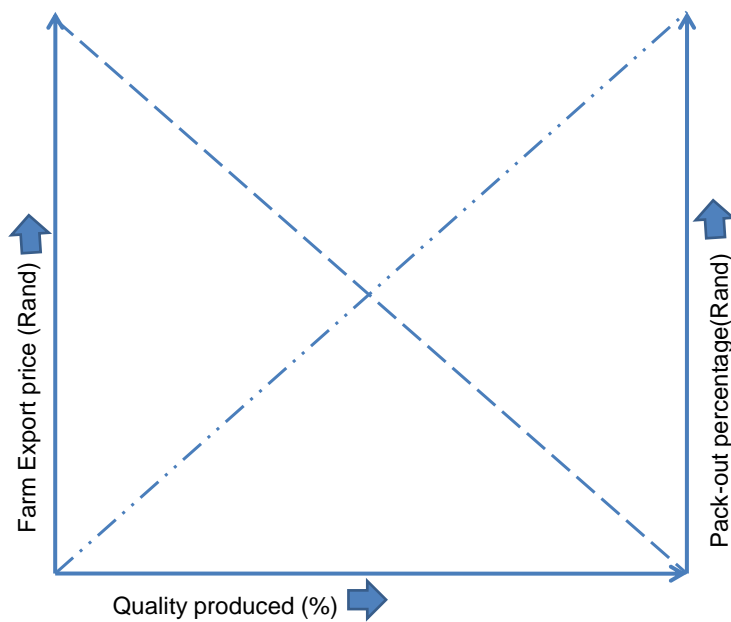


Figure 21: Production strategies for producing high quality export table grapes

Source: Capespan, 2008: 1

The following section summarises the effect of replacement costs for both farms under different scenarios. Figure 22, below, presents the margins before capital expenditure for the Western Cape farm. It is clear from the graph that the Western Cape farm's income will decline under Scenario 1, due to diminishing export prices and production, and export costs increasing at an average rate that exceeds the average growth rate of export prices. Under Scenarios 2A and 2B, the farm's income is much improved compared with Scenario 1, due to its focus on popular cultivars with desirable market characteristics, and investments in product differentiation and packaging innovations. The replacement costs under Scenarios 2A and 2B do not have the same impact on the farm's margins. The reasons for this are (i) plant material and other establishment costs are lower compared with the Northern region and (ii) the area replaced (size of cultivar blocks) is not large compared with the Northern region farm.

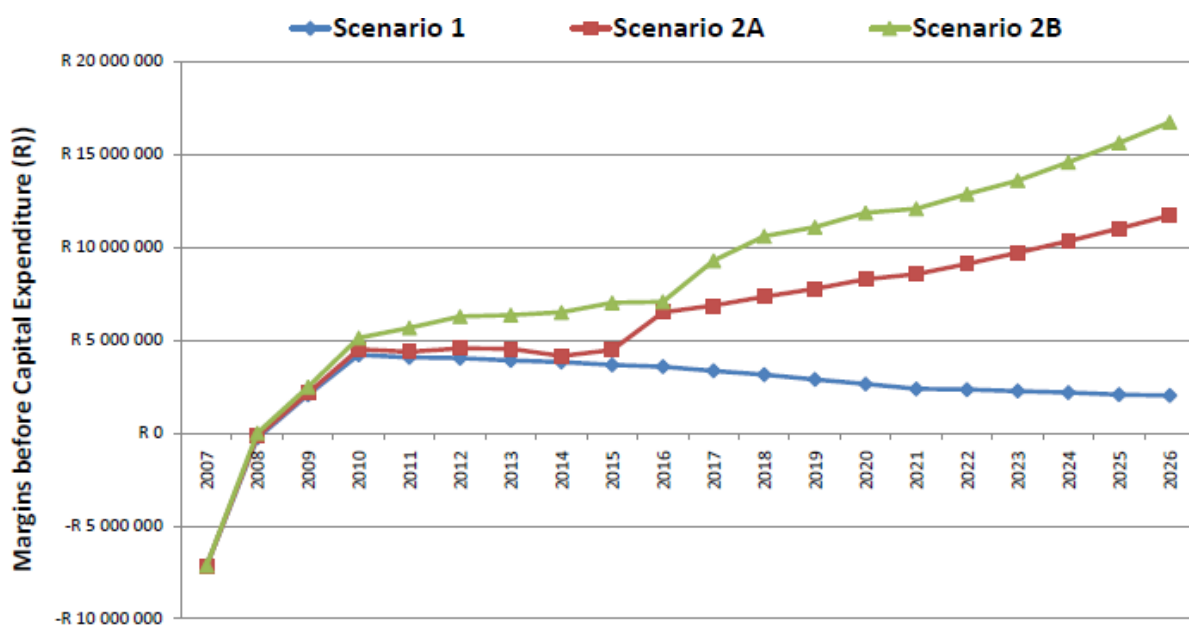


Figure 22: Impact of the replacement of less popular cultivars in terms of Scenarios 2A and 2B on margin before capital expenditure in the Western Cape

Source: Own calculations

Figure 23, below, represents the farm's margin before capital expenditure for the Northern region. As with the typical Western Cape farm, the Northern region farm's income declines under Scenario 1 due to production and export costs increasing faster than the export price. Under Scenario 2A, the farm's margin increases at a relatively stable rate due to better export prices and a shift to more popular cultivars. Under Scenario 2B, the impact of replacement processes is significant as the farm's returns are lower than those of Scenarios 1 and 2A in the short term (see Figure 23). The reasons for the farm's low return are the high replacement costs (i.e planting material and labour costs) and the shorter replacement period (within nine years). However, the financial benefits of the replacement process in the short term is noticable in the medium term, where the farm's income under Scenario 2B grows way above the farm's income recorded under Scenario 1 and 2A.

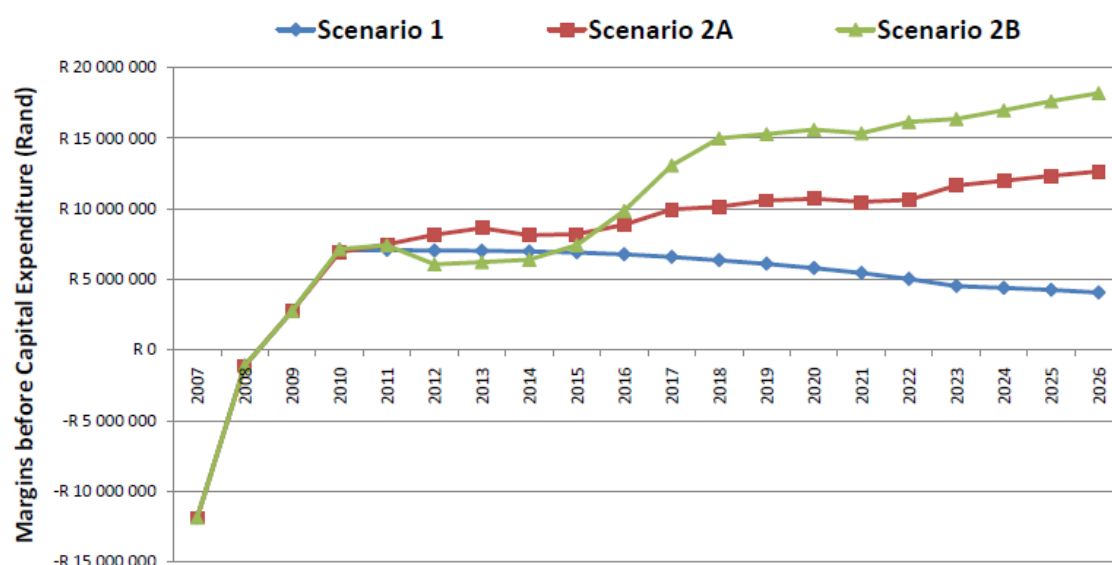


Figure 23: Impact of the replacement of less popular cultivars in terms of Scenarios 2A and 2B on margin before capital expenditure in the Northern region

Source: Own calculations

7.6. Conclusions

The financial analysis of all three scenarios shows that the South African table grape industry will be better off under Scenario 2B compared with Scenario 1. Under this scenario, the table grape producers are faced with growing trade opportunities because of the availability of emerging Eastern markets. In the short term, the redistribution of exports from traditional to emerging Eastern markets will have a positive effect on the South African export price realised, but this could be minimised in the medium to long term when South African competitors increase their exports to fill the gap left by South Africa in Europe.

The medium-term impact on the South African table grape industry includes expanding trade opportunities to emerging markets, strengthening the average export price and reduced market risk due to better export diversification. Under a diversified market environment, the table grape industry will create more employment and the socio-economic status of farm workers will be improved.

CHAPTER 8

SUMMARY, CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

8.1. Summary

Chapter 1 explains that the South African table grape industry is more than 120 years old and currently exports just over 50 million cartons (4.5 kg) of table grapes per season to global markets. Over the last two decades, South Africa has managed to diversify only 15% of its total exports away from the UK and continental Europe. The chapter further explains that SATI wants to expand the industry's export volumes to Eastern markets due to increasing competition in European markets from alternate southern hemisphere suppliers, and constantly increasing food safety and quality standards in Europe. The new industry strategy aims to diversify the industry's current risk profile in order to improve and protect the industry's position in the global table grape markets. The chapter proceeds by explaining the purpose and objective of conducting this study, which is to investigate the viability of specific export market diversification scenarios. The general objective of this study is to develop a deterministic farm-level model based on accounting principles as a tool for simulating and analysing the impact of changes in markets on the financial viability of farms under different scenarios.

The second chapter of this study presents a literature review of scenario development relating to strategic management theory. Strategic management theory reveals that a range of future planning tools have emerged over many decades to assist managers in preparing for future unexpected outcomes. Scenario development is one of the future planning tools that has proven to be effective in many companies. The literature on scenario development suggests that the primary advantage of scenarios is to be able to represent the views of several industry stakeholders and expectations at the same time. Secondly, better than any other tools, scenarios offer the possibility of integrating various kinds of data in a consistent manner. In addition, the literature review shows that there are different approaches to developing scenarios, which demonstrates that there is, as yet, no consensus on the best approach to use.

In Chapter 3, background information on farm-level modelling and simulation was given. The background information showed that there are two types of farm modelling, namely stochastic and deterministic modelling. There are two approaches that can be followed when building these models, the normative and positive approaches. The objective of this study was to develop a tool that would enhance the understanding of the table grape industry under different scenarios; therefore, a descriptive model was required, and the model needed to be oriented towards behavioural variability. From this it was decided that a deterministic type of model would be built, following a positivistic approach based on actual behavioural trends as estimated from actual historic farm-level data.

The study's methodology is discussed in Chapter 4. This chapter also explains that scenario planning was adopted as a tool to investigate the viability of expanding South African table grape export volumes to Eastern markets, as well as the potential risk of retaining current market distributions. The chapter further explains that the study uses financial farm-level modelling to determine the profitability of farms under each scenario that is developed. The financial farm model makes use of IRR as the farms' performance indicator under each scenario. IRR is used to rank several prospective scenarios an industry is considering, and assuming all other factors are equal among the various scenarios, the scenario with the highest IRR will probably be considered the best and will be undertaken first.

In Chapter 5, background information on the South African table grape industry was given. It was pointed out that South African table grapes are cultivated in five production regions, namely: the Hex River, the Berg River, the Olifants River, the Orange River and the Northern Province. These regions differ in terms of geographical allocations, soil characteristics and climatic conditions, which see South Africa enjoying a long season, from November until late May. The diverse climates allow South Africa to cultivate different varieties that meet the demands of different international markets. The top table grape cultivars planted in South Africa include the following, together with their relevant percentages of total hectares occupied: Red Globe – 10%, Thompson Seedless – 10%, Crimson Seedless – 10%, Prime Seedless – 9%, Sugraone – 9%, Flame Seedless – 9% and Dauphine – 8%. The chapter further explains that the existing table grape industry largely supplies European markets, and this high dependency has shaped South Africa production patterns to suit mainly the needs of traditional markets. The current cultivar profile does not fully meet the requirements of Eastern markets, which demand cultivars with a large berry size, crispy character and a longer shelf life.

The market information given in Chapter 6 shows that traditional markets have become difficult and costly to supply, due to strict quality and food safety regulations. These regulations are the driving forces behind the increasing costs of production, and exports that have resulted in declining farm incomes. On the other hand, emerging Eastern markets, measured in terms of economic growth, are displaying new trade opportunities, spending ability, retail sector growth and infrastructural improvements. The emerging Eastern markets are less concerned with food safety and phytosanitary requirements compared with Europe, but they are more protected by tariff duties. They are also socio-economically and psychologically different from traditional markets. Gaining an improved understanding on these differences is a key tool to enhancing the producers' capacities to supply these markets successfully.

In Chapter 7, a numerical estimation of future trends and scenario outlines is presented and discussed in detail. This chapter includes the an analysis of the farm-level model's results under each scenario, and their implications on South African table grape farms. The financial analysis shows that the table grape industry will be worse off if they continue with the current market distribution. This is explained by the Scenario 1 results, indicating (i) declining returns due to saturated traditional markets; (ii) a shrinking industry due to the decreasing area under table grape production, and producers withdrawing from table grape production as they cannot maintain their farms; and (iii) declining employment as producers reduce their production and try to cut down on costs. These signs suggest that the table grape industry should start diversifying their export markets.

Furthermore, the analysis shows that the table grape industry will benefit strongly if a significant share of the export volumes are relocated from traditional to emerging Eastern markets. Scenarios 2A and 2B reflect a future world where export volumes are adequately distributed to both traditional and emerging markets. The sector model's results show that the industry price will grow by an average rate of 5% per year under Scenario 2B. Industry volumes will increase by an average rate of 2% per year. The farm-level model calculated the IRR for the Western Cape typical farm as 28.9% and for the Northern region farm as 27.02% under Scenario 2B. The higher IRR values under Scenario 2B are the results of increasing yields per hectare on the Western Cape farm, coupled with the strong export price received in the short term when the industry relocates some volumes away from Europe to Eastern markets. The higher farm returns

are also promoted by a shift to new cultivars with desirable market characteristics and an improvement in product-packaging innovation.

8.2. Conclusions

Answering the study's research question entailed investigating the viability of specific export market diversification scenarios. The aim was to evaluate the potential impact on the table grape industry if export volumes were to be relocated from traditional to emerging markets, and the potential risk if the industry were to maintain the current market distribution. The scenario development process was used as a planning tool in this study, and farm-level modelling was used to simulate and analyse the impact of changes in markets on the financial viability of farms under different scenarios.

An analysis of factors shaping the South African export sector shows that the table grape industry can no longer afford to send large export quantities predominantly to its traditional markets, due to increasing competition and diminishing market prices. Furthermore, the financial analysis shows that continuing with the current market diversification will have a negative impact in the industry, as farm returns, employment and farm units will decline under this scenario (i.e. Scenario 1). The farm-level model's results indicate that the table grape industry would be better off if export volumes were redistributed to other markets away from Europe. This is evident when looking at Scenario 2B's results. This scenario yields the highest IRR due to stronger price and export growth. The industry risk profile is lowered under Scenario 2B, due to better market diversification.

8.3. Recommendations

It is evident that Scenario 2B will bring the most benefits to the table grape industry, and the industry should implement this in order to regain its market share of global markets. However, there are actions that need to be taken if the industry wishes to remain a competitive supplier of quality table grapes to global markets. These include:

- Improve transparency in information sharing, which has been the industry's weakest point since deregulation.

- Focus on developing innovative products (i.e. cultivate new varieties) for developed and emerging markets in order to retain global market share, and invest in promotional activities, especially those of a generic nature.
- Conduct more scientific and market research to find new cultivars, and understand the operations of emerging markets.

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Annexure A

Western Cape Typical Farm Data

Table 1: Descriptions of the typical table grape farm in Western Cape		Table 2: Farm cultivar mix and their market popularity			
Farm Size	46	Variety group	Variety	Market Demand and Popularity	
Hectares under Production	39			EU Markets	East Markets
Management System:	Inorganic Farming	White Seeded	Dauphine	A	C
Trellising System:	All vines are grown on the trellising systems		Victoria	A	C
Irrigation System:	All vines are irrigated	White Seedless	Thompson Seedless	A	B
Grafting:	All vines are grafted		Sugraone	A	A
Bearing Capacity: 1 year	0%	Red Seeded	Red Globe	A	A
: 2 year	35%		Alpha Red	B	C
: 3 year	70%	Red Seedless	Crimson Seedless	A	A
: 4 year	100%		Sunred Seedless	A	B
		Black Seeded	La Rochelle	A	C
			Barlinka	A	C
		Black Seedless	Midnight Beauty	A	A
			Autumn Royal	A	A
		Market Demand A = Very High B = Medium C = Low			

Table 3: Establishment cost in Western Cape farm					Table 4: Investments in Western Cape farm				
Establishment Costs	Amount	Unit Cost	R/ha	R/Farm		Amount	Unit Cost	Life Expectancy	
			309,793	12,081,908					R/Farm
Land Preparation:			28,451	1,109,589	Total Capital Costs				9,363,000
Site Selection: (Expect Advice)	1h/ha	R450/h	450		Fixed Costs				7,003,000
Land Clearing:(Mechanisation)	2h/ha	R80/h	160		Land:	75,500			3,473,000
Soil Analysis : (Soil Sample- chemicals content)	4/ha	R45/sample	180		Main Buildings:	600,000			600,000
:(Soil Sample- Nematodes)	2/ha	R120/sample	240		Pack House and Cooling:	1,600,000			1,600,000
Fumigation Costs:	0.5h/ha		1,500		Water Reservoir: Farm Dam	600,000			600,000
Soil Preparation: (Drainage, Ripping & Shift Plough and Ridging)	10h/ha		25,331		Fixed Improvements		730,000		730,000
Soil Chemical Improvement: Gypsum	25kg/ha	R12/kg	300		Intermediate/Movable Capital				
: Lime	25kg/ha	R10/kg	250		Tractors: 45KW Tractor power	6/farm	150,000	12	2,360,000
: Spreading Costs	0.5h/ha	R80/h	40		Trailers: 2-wheeled trailer	4/farm	12,000	12	900,000
Trellising System:			18,336	715,104	Equipments: Trucks	2/farm	245,000	10	48,000
DISTANCES (meter)					: other Bakies	2/farm	155,000	10	490,000
Between Rows	33rows/ha				: Mounted Spreaders (500L)	1/farm	25,000	12	310,000
In row					: Sprayers (1000L)	2/farm	70,000	12	25,000
Poles	363	22	7,986		: Mounted Sprayer (500L)	1/farm	27,000	12	140,000
Corner Poles	66	25	1,650		:General Trailer	1/farm	21,000	12	27,000
Cordon wire	101m		1,161		: Brush Cutter	1/farm	30,000	12	21,000
Leaf Wire	101m		5,250		: Fork Lift	1/farm	147,000	12	30,000
Anchor		10	840		Office Furniture		22,000		147,000
Labour	207mh/ha	R7/h	1,449		Others		200,000		22,000
Irrigation System:			14,700	573,300	Own Capital Invested		70%		200,000
Polypipe			5,010		Loan Capital Invested		30%		
Drainage pipe			1,594						
Splitters			7,032						

Labour Costs	152mh	R7/h	1,064
Planting Material			248,306 9,683,915
Labour Costs	107mh/ha	R7/h	750
Cover Crop			11,250
Dauphine	1852/ha	10.00	18,520
Victoria	1667/ha	10.00	16,670
Thompson Seedless	1667/ha	10.50	17,504
Sugraone	1852/ha	10.50	19,446
Red Globe	1786/ha	10.50	18,753
Alpha Red	1667/ha	10.60	17,670
Crimson Seedless	1736/ha	10.50	18,228
Sunred Seedless	1852/ha	10.50	19,446
La Rochelle	2222/ha	10.00	22,220
Barlinka	2222/ha	10.00	22,220
Midnight Beauty	1852/ha	11.20	20,742
Autumn Royal	2222/ha	11.20	24,886

Annexure B

Northern Region Typical Farm Data

Table 1: Descriptions of the typical table grape farm in Northern region

Farm Size	65 ha
Hectares under Production	57 ha
Management System:	Inorganic Farming
Trellising System:	All vines are grown on the trellising systems
Irrigation System:	All vines are irrigated
Grafting:	All vines are grafted
Bearing Capacity: 1 year	0%
: 2 year	35%
: 3 year	70%
: 4 year	100%

Table 2: Farm cultivar mix and their market popularity

Variety group	Variety	EU Markets	Eastern Markets
White Seeded	Moonballs	B	C
White Seedless	Prime Seedless	A	A
	Thompson Seedless	A	A
Red Seeded	Red Globe	A	A
Red Seedless	Flame Seedless	A	A
	Crimson Seedless	A	A
Black Seeded	Ronelle (Black Gem)	A	C
Black Seedless	Midnight Beauty	A	A
Market Demand	A = Very High	B = Medium	C = Low

Table 3: Establishment costs in Northern region farm

	Amount	Unit Cost	R/ha	R/Farm
Establishment Costs			255,864	14,584,254
Land Preparation:			35,651	2,032,107
Site Selection: (Expect Advice)	1h/ha	R465/h	465	
Land Clearing:(Mechanisation)	2h/ha	R90/h	180	
Soil Analysis : (Soil Sample- chemicals content)	4/ha	R48/sample	192	
:(Soil Sample- Nematodes)	2/ha	R125/sample	250	
Fumigation Costs:	0.5h/ha		1,600	
Soil Preparation: (Drainage, Ripping & Shift Plough and Ridging)	10h/ha		32,324	
Soil Chemical Improvement: Gypsum	25kg/ha	R13/kg	325	
: Lime	25kg/ha	R11/kg	275	
: Spreading Costs	0.5h/ha	R80/h	40	

Table 4: Investments in Northern region farm

	Amount	Unit Cost	Life Expectancy	R/Farm
Total Capital Costs				9,139,000
Fixed Costs				6,590,000
Land:		47,200		3,068,000
Main Buildings:		450,000		450,000
Pack House and Cooling:		1,763,000		1,763,000
Water Reservoir: Farm Dam		489,000		489,000
Fixed Improvements		820,000		820,000
Intermediate/Movable Capital				2,549,000
Tractors: 45KW Tractor power	7/farm	150,000	12	1,050,000

Trellising System:			32,806	1,869,942
DISTANCES (meter)				
Between Rows	33rows/ha			
In row				
Poles	363	22	7,986	
Corner Poles	66	25	1,650	
Cordon wire	101m		1,161	
Leaf Wire	101m		5,250	
Anchor		10	840	
Nets/Plastics			14,470	
Labour	207mh/ha	R7/h	1,449	
Irrigation System:			14,721	839,097
Polypipe			5,010	
Drainage pipe			1,594	
Splitters			7,032	
Labour Costs	155mh	R7/h	1,085	
Planting Material			172,686	9,843,108
Labour Costs	107mh/ha	R7/h	750	
Cover Crop			11,250	
Moonballs	1852/ha	11.20	20,742	
Prime Seedless	1667/ha	11.00	18,337	
Thompson Seedless	1667/ha	11.50	19,171	
Red Globe	1852/ha	11.50	21,298	
Flame Seedless	1786/ha	11.50	20,539	
Crimson Seedless	1667/ha	11.60	19,337	
Ronelle (Black Gem)	1736/ha	11.50	19,964	

Trailers: 2-wheeled trailer	5/farm	12,000	12	60,000
Equipments: Trucks	2/farm	245,000	10	490,000
: other Bakies	2/farm	155,000	10	310,000
: Mounted Spreaders (500L)	1/farm	25,000	12	25,000
: Sprayers (1000L)	2/farm	70,000	12	140,000
: Mounted Sprayer (500L)	2/farm	27,000	12	54,000
:General Trailer	1/farm	21,000	12	21,000
: Brush Cutter	1/farm	30,000	12	30,000
: Fork Lift	1/farm	147,000	12	147,000
Office Furniture		22,000		22,000
Others		200,000		200,000
Own Capital Invested	%		70%	
Loan Capital Invested	%		30%	

Annexure C

Farm-level model structure and results of Western Cape farm under Scenario 1

Table 1: Farm-level model structure and results of Western Cape Farm under Scenario 1																					
Years		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Corresponding year		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Cultivar Margin	Ha																				
Dauphine	4.26	-455,876	265,326	493,445	706,677	713,029	715,218	751,237	785,462	805,453	807,470	802,861	807,589	813,839	821,254	824,282	830,473	845,778	838,879	848,822	848,159
Victoria	1.06	-112,001	105,685	164,963	224,609	227,644	231,681	229,471	231,558	229,789	231,123	230,141	232,238	234,226	235,484	238,220	239,704	239,955	243,763	245,781	242,806
Thompson Seedless	7.94	-842,625	454,356	683,507	1,005,922	1,019,840	1,004,706	1,003,301	1,018,085	1,009,644	1,073,608	1,069,455	1,064,458	1,052,296	1,054,537	1,074,959	1,084,448	1,070,439	1,067,889	1,063,888	1,099,660
Sugraone	6.50	-702,043	447,571	1,127,990	1,524,421	1,442,237	1,461,176	1,481,680	1,503,178	1,524,630	1,546,314	1,567,641	1,589,084	1,610,685	1,631,913	1,653,277	1,674,366	1,695,315	1,716,151	1,736,725	1,756,997
Red Globe	3.23	-346,730	232,290	313,976	471,510	473,134	484,279	496,436	509,331	522,458	535,967	549,577	563,535	577,876	592,347	607,217	622,294	637,661	653,345	669,290	685,491
Alpha Red	0.57	-60,570	23,488	37,018	52,405	53,689	53,882	54,184	54,543	54,867	55,180	55,430	55,658	55,867	56,010	56,130	56,190	56,203	56,169	56,075	55,917
Crimson Seedless	6.12	-653,536	591,631	1,214,058	1,741,173	1,761,684	1,784,899	1,784,428	1,808,664	1,822,963	1,848,988	1,846,401	1,858,459	1,863,773	1,877,124	1,886,737	1,913,624	1,930,364	1,955,319	1,939,389	1,968,169
Sunred Seedless	2.62	-283,280	242,470	506,031	709,299	711,010	729,917	749,942	770,870	792,300	814,365	836,843	859,947	883,715	907,953	932,889	958,379	984,501	1,011,292	1,038,715	1,066,780
La Rochelle	2.07	-228,875	144,638	209,586	303,276	318,193	325,798	334,064	342,816	351,732	360,908	370,165	379,661	389,418	399,277	409,409	419,692	430,179	440,890	451,787	462,869
Barlinka	2.87	-318,545	144,734	203,931	321,548	327,736	334,826	342,732	351,207	359,799	368,638	377,472	386,517	395,800	405,096	414,639	424,256	434,016	443,942	453,979	464,118
Midnight Beauty	1.00	-85,282	78,663	135,863	203,101	204,312	205,478	207,072	207,057	207,929	209,390	211,697	212,282	214,754	213,804	215,389	214,542	216,520	214,772	219,106	219,359
Autumn Royal	1.00	-88,515	73,847	127,149	196,877	197,105	200,892	200,520	202,143	201,704	202,511	201,541	211,300	204,271	205,614	206,216	207,007	205,382	207,893	209,278	211,824
	39.24																				
Total Farm Gross Margin		-4,177,878	2,804,700	5,217,518	7,460,819	7,449,614	7,532,751	7,635,067	7,784,915	7,883,267	8,054,462	8,119,226	8,220,728	8,296,520	8,400,414	8,519,362	8,644,977	8,746,314	8,850,306	8,932,835	9,082,150
Indirectly Allocatable Costs/Farm		2,958,579	3,069,105	3,156,798	3,249,307	3,376,465	3,501,665	3,722,993	3,959,940	4,211,051	4,476,641	4,766,604	5,074,918	5,407,026	5,758,716	6,136,602	6,300,854	6,480,461	6,667,428	6,858,678	7,055,936
Indirectly Allocatable Costs/Ha		75,861	78,695	80,944	83,316	86,576	89,786	95,461	101,537	107,976	114,786	122,221	130,126	138,642	147,659	157,349	161,560	166,166	170,960	175,864	180,921
Labour		56,606	58,321	60,071	61,873	63,729	65,641	69,579	73,754	78,179	82,870	87,842	93,113	98,699	104,621	110,899	114,226	117,652	121,182	124,818	128,562
Electricity		2,652	3,012	3,212	3,345	3,487	3,567	3,789	3,876	3,899	4,012	4,123	4,234	4,378	4,388	4,412	4,197	4,204	4,265	4,331	4,378
Water		483	512	523	538	578	610	622	621	632	639	642	646	649	712	725	738	745	748	755	761
License and assurances		1,201	1,205	1,219	1,223	1,227	1,229	1,231	1,234	1,235	1,236	1,238	1,240	1,243	1,245	1,246	1,249	1,250	1,254	1,255	1,257
Administration		2,646	2,667	2,687	2,711	2,732	2,736	2,739	2,821	2,832	2,823	2,833	2,838	2,846	2,854	2,891	2,899	2,901	2,921	2,927	2,928
General Costs		421	432	435	445	456	487	433	456	546	488	553	567	589	578	589	567	598	610	599	621
Fuel and Energy		11,852	12,546	12,797	13,181	14,367	15,516	17,068	18,775	20,652	22,718	24,989	27,488	30,237	33,261	36,587	37,685	38,815	39,980	41,179	42,414
Margin before Capital Expenditure		-7,136,457	-264,405	2,060,719	4,211,511	4,073,149	4,031,087	3,912,074	3,824,974	3,672,216	3,577,821	3,352,621	3,145,811	2,889,493	2,641,698	2,382,760	2,344,123	2,265,853	2,182,878	2,074,157	2,026,214
Farm Capital																					
Fixed Costs/farm		5,403,000	1,600,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Land:		3,473,000																			
Main Buildings:		600,000																			
Pack House and Cooling:			1,600,000																		
Water Reservoir: Farm Dam		600,000																			
Fixed Improvements		730,000																			
Intermediate/Movable Capital/farm		990,000	421,000	238,000	285,000	337,000	40,000	40,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tractors: 45KW Tractor		297,000	297,000			297,000															

power																																	
Trailers: 2-wheeled trailer		24,000	24,000																														
Equipments: Trucks		245,000	245,000																														
: other Bakies		310,000																															
: Mounted Spreaders (500L)		25,000																															
: Sprayers (1000L)		70,000	70,000																														
: Mounted Sprayer (500L)			27,000																														
:General Trailer		21,000																															
: Brush Cutter			30,000																														
: Fork Lift			147,000																														
Office Furniture		22,000																															
Others			40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000																										
Total Annual Outflow		9,351,579	5,090,105	3,394,798	3,534,307	3,713,465	3,541,665	3,762,993	3,959,940	4,211,051	4,476,641	4,766,604	5,074,918	5,407,026	5,758,716	6,136,602	6,300,854	6,480,461	6,667,428	6,858,678	7,055,936												
Total Annual Inflow		-4,177,878	2,804,700	5,217,518	7,460,819	7,449,614	7,532,751	7,635,067	7,784,915	7,883,267	8,054,462	8,119,226	8,220,728	8,296,520	8,400,414	8,519,362	8,644,977	8,746,314	8,850,306	8,932,835	9,082,150												
Nett Annual Flow		-13,529,457	-2,285,405	1,822,719	3,926,511	3,736,149	3,991,087	3,872,074	3,824,974	3,672,216	3,577,821	3,352,621	3,145,811	2,889,493	2,641,698	2,382,760	2,344,123	2,265,853	2,182,878	2,074,157	2,026,214												
NPV		R 4,539,832.03																															
IRR		16.88%																															
Test		R -0.00																															
Own Capital Invested		70%	<div>Real Interest Rate Calculations:</div> <table><tr><td>Inflation</td><td>6%</td><td>0.06</td><td>Real Rate</td></tr><tr><td colspan="2">Nominal Interest Rate</td><td colspan="2">Real Interest Rate</td></tr><tr><td>Negative</td><td>12%</td><td>0.12</td><td>5.556</td><td>5.6%</td></tr></table>																		Inflation	6%	0.06	Real Rate	Nominal Interest Rate		Real Interest Rate		Negative	12%	0.12	5.556	5.6%
Inflation	6%	0.06																			Real Rate												
Nominal Interest Rate		Real Interest Rate																															
Negative	12%	0.12																			5.556	5.6%											
Loan Capital Invested		30%																															

Annexure D

Farm-level model structure and results of Northern Region farm under Scenario 1

Table 1: Farm-level model structure and results of Northern region farm under Scenario 1																					
Years		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Corresponding year		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Cultivar Margin	Ha																				
Moonballs	1.71	-224,772	99,098	166,863	271,638	274,051	274,894	275,292	275,256	274,246	271,045	266,608	260,945	253,938	245,707	235,779	223,820	209,612	206,088	201,891	196,805
Prime Seedless	17.33	-2,236,005	1,148,728	2,667,211	4,218,788	4,317,490	4,403,200	4,487,440	4,570,413	4,646,765	4,704,276	4,752,745	4,792,390	4,822,138	4,843,355	4,851,360	4,842,923	4,815,975	4,901,722	4,985,217	5,064,456
Thompson Seedless	25.99	-3,375,672	1,157,701	2,707,741	4,372,564	4,407,841	4,419,063	4,423,347	4,420,832	4,403,312	4,352,275	4,282,237	4,193,330	4,083,746	3,955,329	3,800,846	3,615,234	3,395,161	3,337,202	3,268,696	3,186,387
Red Globe	2.85	-376,203	165,848	284,189	463,010	468,690	471,828	474,301	476,131	476,420	473,142	467,892	460,691	451,342	440,053	426,035	408,737	387,799	384,779	380,751	375,363
Flame Seedless	6.67	-875,253	696,270	1,297,791	2,022,853	2,072,841	2,118,190	2,163,344	2,208,392	2,251,286	2,287,333	2,320,318	2,350,337	2,376,989	2,400,814	2,420,024	2,433,390	2,440,130	2,490,756	2,541,044	2,590,239
Crimson Seedless	0.74	-96,360	57,601	130,697	204,094	208,207	211,739	215,181	218,541	221,589	223,800	225,592	226,972	227,893	228,411	228,325	227,494	225,828	228,936	231,899	234,631
Ronelle (Black Gem)	1.14	-148,960	70,936	112,807	182,542	183,329	183,033	182,403	181,446	179,799	176,651	172,636	167,761	161,944	155,265	147,406	138,144	127,332	123,590	119,344	114,450
Midnight Beauty	0.57	-75,241	56,929	88,971	140,595	143,899	146,778	149,611	152,404	154,980	156,939	158,603	159,978	161,030	161,804	162,145	161,948	161,144	164,050	166,884	169,581
	57.00																				
Total Farm Gross Margin		-7,408,465	3,453,111	7,456,271	11,876,083	12,076,350	12,228,725	12,370,920	12,503,415	12,608,398	12,645,461	12,646,632	12,612,404	12,539,019	12,430,738	12,271,920	12,051,689	11,762,980	11,837,122	11,895,725	11,931,912
Indirectly Allocatable Costs/Farm		4,469,997	4,562,793	4,686,102	4,815,497	4,998,122	5,188,901	5,347,498	5,520,520	5,699,118	5,871,264	6,060,240	6,251,750	6,430,615	6,624,018	6,815,633	7,021,801	7,234,303	7,440,931	7,639,800	7,862,548
Indirectly Allocatable Costs/Ha		78,421	80,049	82,212	84,482	87,686	91,033	93,816	96,851	99,985	103,005	106,320	109,680	112,818	116,211	119,573	123,189	126,918	130,543	134,032	137,939
Labour		56,606	56,007	57,687	59,418	61,200	63,036	64,927	66,875	68,882	70,948	73,076	75,269	77,527	79,853	82,248	84,716	87,257	89,875	92,571	95,348
Electricity		5,212	6,241	6,345	6,432	6,543	6,789	6,910	7,043	7,345	7,432	7,567	7,689	7,890	8,233	8,455	8,900	9,322	9,545	9,567	9,876
Water		483	393	523	538	578	610	622	621	632	639	642	646	649	712	725	738	745	748	755	761
Licence and assurances		1,201	1,219	1,219	1,223	1,227	1,229	1,231	1,234	1,235	1,236	1,238	1,240	1,243	1,245	1,246	1,249	1,250	1,254	1,255	1,257
Administration		2,646	2,765	2,687	2,711	2,732	2,736	2,739	2,821	2,832	2,823	2,833	2,838	2,846	2,854	2,891	2,899	2,901	2,921	2,927	2,928
General Costs		421	369	435	445	456	487	433	456	546	488	553	567	589	578	589	567	598	610	599	621
Fuel and Energy		11,852	13,055	13,316	13,716	14,950	16,146	16,953	17,801	18,513	19,439	20,411	21,431	22,074	22,736	23,418	24,121	24,845	25,590	26,358	27,148

Margin before Capital Expenditure	-	-	2,770,169	7,060,586	7,078,228	7,039,823	7,023,423	6,982,895	6,909,280	6,774,197	6,586,393	6,360,655	6,108,404	5,806,720	5,456,287	5,029,888	4,528,678	4,396,192	4,255,925	4,069,364
Farm Capital	11,878,462	1,109,682																		
Fixed Costs/farm	4,827,000	1,763,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Land:	3,068,000																			
Main Buildings:	450,000																			
Pack House and Cooling:		1,763,000																		
Water Reservoir: Farm Dam	489,000																			
Fixed Improvements	820,000																			
Intermediate/Movable Capital/farm	1,113,000	445,000	271,000	285,000	355,000	40,000	40,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tractors: 45KW Tractor power	420,000	315,000			315,000															
Trailers: 2-wheeled trailer		30,000	30,000																	
Equipments: Trucks	245,000			245,000																
: other Bakies	310,000																			
: Mounted Spreaders (500L)	25,000																			
: Sprayers (1000L)	70,000	70,000																		
: Mounted Sprayer (500L)			54,000																	
:General Trailer	21,000																			
: Brush Cutter		30,000																		
: Fork Lift			147,000																	
Others			40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000													
Total Annual Outflow	10,409,997	6,770,793	4,957,102	5,100,497	5,353,122	5,228,901	5,387,498	5,520,520	5,699,118	5,871,264	6,060,240	6,251,750	6,430,615	6,624,018	6,815,633	7,021,801	7,234,303	7,440,931	7,639,800	7,862,548
Total Annual Inflow	-7,408,465	3,453,111	7,456,271	11,876,083	12,076,350	12,228,725	12,370,920	12,503,415	12,608,398	12,645,461	12,646,632	12,612,404	12,539,019	12,430,738	12,271,920	12,051,689	11,762,980	11,837,122	11,895,725	11,931,912
Nett Annual Flow	-	-	2,499,169	6,775,586	6,723,228	6,999,823	6,983,423	6,982,895	6,909,280	6,774,197	6,586,393	6,360,655	6,108,404	5,806,720	5,456,287	5,029,888	4,528,678	4,396,192	4,255,925	4,069,364
	17,818,462	3,317,682																		
NPV	R 15,379,880.53																			
IRR	22.62%																			
Test	R -0.00																			

Annexure E

Farm-level model structure and results of Western Cape farm under Scenario 2A

Table 1: Farm-level model structure and results of Western Cape farm under Scenario 2A

Years		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Corresponding years		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Cultivar Margin	Ha																				
Dauphine	2.73	-455,876	265,326	552,675	801,911	811,460	821,178	533,600	540,839	548,023	555,269	562,327	569,396	576,492	583,392	590,309	597,069	603,728	610,297	616,712	622,956
Victoria	1.17	-112,001	105,685	218,454	317,471	322,204	327,025	332,138	341,455	351,000	342,726	362,878	419,124	430,780	442,678	449,501	456,335	463,204	470,115	477,041	483,978
Thompson Seedless	6.32	-850,698	499,671	756,124	1,095,374	1,105,140	1,115,062	1,126,633	1,155,488	942,551	966,569	990,712	1,015,461	1,040,881	1,066,479	1,076,789	1,086,622	1,096,104	1,105,260	1,113,938	1,122,097
Sugraone	7.72	-696,025	447,571	952,869	1,391,862	1,233,725	1,370,507	1,753,474	1,823,881	1,896,929	1,973,078	2,051,756	2,133,663	2,218,993	2,307,264	2,428,847	2,556,468	2,690,637	2,831,755	2,980,031	3,135,823
Red Globe	3.12	-346,730	232,290	313,976	458,029	465,456	473,095	481,560	500,891	520,923	541,831	563,359	585,783	609,164	633,284	653,513	697,908	745,146	795,433	848,900	905,746
Alpha Red	0.00	-60,570	23,488	37,018	53,474	53,666	53,859	54,160	54,519	54,842	55,155	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Crimson Seedless	9.67	-653,536	634,054	1,300,061	1,900,480	1,940,452	1,981,472	2,024,719	1,631,780	2,200,184	4,252,521	4,670,068	5,126,710	5,626,098	6,171,354	6,557,730	6,967,570	7,402,558	7,864,311	8,354,275	8,874,162
Sunred Seedless	2.42	-283,280	242,470	506,031	735,286	746,025	698,071	708,804	737,272	766,824	797,614	829,474	862,633	897,165	932,931	992,950	1,056,640	1,124,291	1,196,167	1,272,483	1,353,509
La Rochelle	1.76	-228,875	144,638	217,740	315,624	318,790	322,009	325,669	329,589	333,435	337,296	340,982	344,644	295,949	298,894	301,820	304,615	307,314	309,923	312,401	314,736
Barlinka	1.76	-318,545	144,734	203,931	321,548	200,089	204,418	206,128	208,030	209,842	211,637	213,254	214,819	216,342	217,679	218,965	220,086	221,078	221,947	222,649	223,173
Midnight Beauty	1.17	-85,282	89,780	163,578	181,824	210,860	353,052	362,789	399,223	439,058	482,661	530,271	582,349	639,314	701,517	729,520	758,597	788,820	820,244	852,895	886,819
Autumn Royal	1.17	-88,515	84,391	92,421	192,141	348,941	345,353	354,859	390,580	429,637	472,392	519,078	570,149	626,015	687,021	698,727	710,541	755,194	785,273	816,525	848,995
Total Farm Gross Margin		-4,179,934	2,914,098	5,314,879	7,765,024	7,756,808	8,065,101	8,264,535	8,113,547	8,693,247	10,988,748	11,634,159	12,424,731	13,177,195	14,042,494	14,698,670	15,412,450	16,198,074	17,010,724	17,867,851	18,771,993
Indirectly Allocatable Costs/Farm		2,958,579	3,069,105	3,156,798	3,249,307	3,376,465	3,501,665	3,722,993	3,959,940	4,211,051	4,476,641	4,766,604	5,074,918	5,407,026	5,758,716	6,136,602	6,300,854	6,480,461	6,667,428	6,858,678	7,055,936
Indirectly Allocatable Costs/Ha		75,861	78,695	80,944	83,316	86,576	89,786	95,461	101,537	107,976	114,786	122,221	130,126	138,642	147,659	157,349	161,560	166,166	170,960	175,864	180,921
Labour		56,606	58,321	60,071	61,873	63,729	65,641	69,579	73,754	78,179	82,870	87,842	93,113	98,699	104,621	110,899	114,226	117,652	121,182	124,818	128,562
Electricity		2,652	3,012	3,212	3,345	3,487	3,567	3,789	3,876	3,899	4,012	4,123	4,234	4,378	4,388	4,412	4,197	4,204	4,265	4,331	4,378
Water		483	512	523	538	578	610	622	621	632	639	642	646	649	712	725	738	745	748	755	761
Licence and assurances		1,201	1,205	1,219	1,223	1,227	1,229	1,231	1,234	1,235	1,236	1,238	1,240	1,243	1,245	1,246	1,249	1,250	1,254	1,255	1,257

Administration	2,646	2,667	2,687	2,711	2,732	2,736	2,739	2,821	2,832	2,823	2,833	2,838	2,846	2,854	2,891	2,899	2,901	2,921	2,927	2,928
General Costs	421	432	435	445	456	487	433	456	546	488	553	567	589	578	589	567	598	610	599	621
Fuel and Energy	11,852	12,546	12,797	13,181	14,367	15,516	17,068	18,775	20,652	22,718	24,989	27,488	30,237	33,261	36,587	37,685	38,815	39,980	41,179	42,414
Margin before Capital Expenditure	-7,138,513	-155,007	2,158,081	4,515,716	4,380,343	4,563,436	4,541,542	4,153,607	4,482,196	6,512,107	6,867,554	7,349,813	7,770,169	8,283,778	8,562,068	9,111,596	9,717,613	10,343,296	11,009,173	11,716,057
Farm Capital																				
Fixed Costs/farm	5,403,000	1,600,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Land:	3,473,000																			
Main Buildings:	600,000																			
Pack House and Cooling:		1,600,000																		
Water Reservoir: Farm Dam	600,000																			
Fixed Improvements	730,000																			
Intermediate/Movable Capital/farm	1,053,000	394,000	198,000	295,000	320,000	50,000	50,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tractors: 45KW Tractor power	360,000	270,000			270,000															
Trailers: 2-wheeled trailer		24,000	24,000																	
Equipments: Trucks	245,000			245,000																
: other Bakies	310,000																			
: Mounted Spreaders (500L)	25,000																			
: Sprayers (1000L)	70,000	70,000																		
: Brush Cutter		30,000																		
: Fork Lift			147,000																	
Total Annual Outflow	9,414,579	5,063,105	3,354,798	3,544,307	3,696,465	3,551,665	3,772,993	3,959,940	4,211,051	4,476,641	4,766,604	5,074,918	5,407,026	5,758,716	6,136,602	6,300,854	6,480,461	6,667,428	6,858,678	7,055,936
Total Annual Inflow	-4,179,934	2,914,098	5,314,879	7,765,024	7,756,808	8,065,101	8,264,535	8,113,547	8,693,247	10,988,748	11,634,159	12,424,731	13,177,195	14,042,494	14,698,670	15,412,450	16,198,074	17,010,724	17,867,851	18,771,993
Nett Annual Flow	-13,594,513	-2,149,007	1,960,081	4,220,716	4,060,343	4,513,436	4,491,542	4,153,607	4,482,196	6,512,107	6,867,554	7,349,813	7,770,169	8,283,778	8,562,068	9,111,596	9,717,613	10,343,296	11,009,173	11,716,057
NPV	R 17,592,960.73																			
IRR	23.65%																			
Test	R 0.00																			

Annexure F

Farm-level model structure and results of Northern Region farm under Scenario 2A

Table 1: Farm-level model structure and results of Northern region farm under Scenario 2A

Years		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Corresponding years		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Cultivar Margin	Ha																				
Moonballs	1.14	-224,772	99,098	166,863	274,564	280,058	189,429	191,968	194,333	196,170	196,672	196,481	195,608	193,979	191,681	188,403	183,930	178,121	179,605	180,816	181,619
Prime Seedless	18.22	-2,236,005	1,147,928	2,665,610	4,272,782	4,607,303	4,952,296	5,321,133	5,716,005	6,133,691	6,564,258	6,793,975	7,090,656	7,803,000	8,014,257	8,221,568	8,422,006	8,613,886	8,935,659	9,267,016	9,606,406
Thompson Seedless	20.54	-3,375,672	1,153,498	2,699,335	4,413,247	4,503,955	4,573,455	4,638,977	3,715,261	3,754,768	3,770,406	3,773,750	3,765,009	3,742,862	3,708,880	3,657,460	3,584,720	3,488,153	3,523,250	3,553,681	3,577,010
Red Globe	3.42	-376,203	165,519	283,531	467,000	477,893	486,535	494,819	502,778	509,529	513,058	514,978	515,321	355,146	413,937	606,857	597,153	583,633	592,191	600,138	607,076
Flame Seedless	8.21	-875,253	696,270	1,297,791	2,022,853	2,151,775	2,283,162	2,421,955	2,568,773	2,722,130	2,877,934	3,040,606	3,112,015	3,181,991	3,251,156	2,852,206	3,076,660	4,233,186	4,362,321	4,494,093	4,627,699
Crimson Seedless	2.05	-96,360	57,515	130,526	-35,820	122,243	514,207	545,523	578,640	613,161	648,018	658,308	667,892	676,667	684,774	691,755	697,298	701,202	716,441	731,660	746,667
Ronelle (Black Gem)	1.14	-148,960	71,015	112,965	182,768	183,555	183,259	182,629	181,671	180,025	176,877	172,862	167,987	162,169	155,491	147,632	138,370	127,557	123,815	119,569	114,676
Midnight Beauty	2.28	-75,241	56,942	88,997	140,632	147,789	158,874	170,725	183,412	-213,528	-8,423	861,355	879,532	897,001	913,967	929,841	944,223	956,870	985,075	1,013,745	1,042,646
Total Farm Gross Margin		-7,408,465	3,447,785	7,445,619	11,738,025	12,474,571	13,341,216	13,967,729	13,640,874	13,895,945	14,738,800	16,012,315	16,394,019	17,012,815	17,334,143	17,295,721	17,644,359	18,882,610	19,418,359	19,960,718	20,503,800
Indirectly Allocatable Costs/Farm		4,469,997	4,562,793	4,686,102	4,815,497	4,998,122	5,188,901	5,347,498	5,520,520	5,699,118	5,871,264	6,060,240	6,251,750	6,430,615	6,624,018	6,815,633	7,021,801	7,234,303	7,440,931	7,639,800	7,862,548
Indirectly Allocatable Costs/Ha		78,421	80,049	82,212	84,482	87,686	91,033	93,816	96,851	99,985	103,005	106,320	109,680	112,818	116,211	119,573	123,189	126,918	130,543	134,032	137,939
Labour		56,606	56,007	57,687	59,418	61,200	63,036	64,927	66,875	68,882	70,948	73,076	75,269	77,527	79,853	82,248	84,716	87,257	89,875	92,571	95,348
Electricity		5,212	6,241	6,345	6,432	6,543	6,789	6,910	7,043	7,345	7,432	7,567	7,689	7,890	8,233	8,455	8,900	9,322	9,545	9,567	9,876
Water		483	393	523	538	578	610	622	621	632	639	642	646	649	712	725	738	745	748	755	761
Licence and assurances		1,201	1,219	1,219	1,223	1,227	1,229	1,231	1,234	1,235	1,236	1,238	1,240	1,243	1,245	1,246	1,249	1,250	1,254	1,255	1,257
Administration		2,646	2,765	2,687	2,711	2,732	2,736	2,739	2,821	2,832	2,823	2,833	2,838	2,846	2,854	2,891	2,899	2,901	2,921	2,927	2,928
General Costs		421	369	435	445	456	487	433	456	546	488	553	567	589	578	589	567	598	610	599	621
Fuel and Energy		11,852	13,055	13,316	13,716	14,950	16,146	16,953	17,801	18,513	19,439	20,411	21,431	22,074	22,736	23,418	24,121	24,845	25,590	26,358	27,148

Margin before Capital Expenditure	-11,878,462	-1,115,008	2,759,517	6,922,528	7,476,449	8,152,315	8,620,231	8,120,353	8,196,827	8,867,536	9,952,075	10,142,269	10,582,200	10,710,125	10,480,088	10,622,558	11,648,307	11,977,428	12,320,918	12,641,252
Fixed Costs/farm	4,827,000	1,763,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Land:	3,068,000																			
Main Buildings:	450,000																			
Pack House and Cooling:	1,763,000																			
Water Reservoir: Farm Dam	489,000																			
Fixed Improvements	820,000																			
Intermediate/Movable Capital/farm	1,113,000	445,000	271,000	285,000	355,000	40,000	40,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tractors: 45KW Tractor power	420,000	315,000		315,000																
Trailers: 2-wheeled trailer		30,000	30,000																	
Equipments: Trucks	245,000			245,000																
: other Bakies	310,000																			
: Mounted Spreaders (500L)	25,000																			
: Sprayers (1000L)	70,000	70,000																		
: Mounted Sprayer (500L)			54,000																	
:General Trailer	21,000																			
: Brush Cutter		30,000																		
: Fork Lift			147,000																	
Office Furniture	22,000																			
Total Annual Outflow	10,409,997	6,770,793	4,957,102	5,100,497	5,353,122	5,228,901	5,387,498	5,520,520	5,699,118	5,871,264	6,060,240	6,251,750	6,430,615	6,624,018	6,815,633	7,021,801	7,234,303	7,440,931	7,639,800	7,862,548
Total Annual Inflow	-7,408,465	3,447,785	7,445,619	11,738,025	12,474,571	13,341,216	13,967,729	13,640,874	13,895,945	14,738,800	16,012,315	16,394,019	17,012,815	17,334,143	17,295,721	17,644,359	18,882,610	19,418,359	19,960,718	20,503,800
Nett Annual Flow	-17,818,462	-3,323,008	2,488,517	6,637,528	7,121,449	8,112,315	8,580,231	8,120,353	8,196,827	8,867,536	9,952,075	10,142,269	10,582,200	10,710,125	10,480,088	10,622,558	11,648,307	11,977,428	12,320,918	12,641,252
NPV	R 27,881,507.76																			
IRR	26.52%																			
Test	R 0.00																			

Annexure G

Farm-level model structure and results of Western Cape farm under Scenario 2B

Table 1: Farm-level model structure and results of Western Cape under Scenario 2B

Years		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Corresponding years		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Cultivar Margin	Ha																				
Dauphine	2.46	-455,876	265,326	552,675	807,013	821,894	837,181	853,686	502,854	512,974	523,306	533,631	544,132	554,830	565,531	576,430	587,379	598,433	609,608	620,855	632,163
Victoria	1.05	-112,001	105,685	216,196	316,020	322,617	329,388	336,535	362,162	389,638	419,146	450,736	484,641	498,355	512,382	526,818	541,609	556,792	592,103	629,587	669,379
Thompson Seedless	4.84	-842,625	529,881	804,535	1,173,835	1,193,288	1,213,291	1,235,354	1,337,248	1,446,700	952,727	1,029,639	1,112,410	1,141,941	1,171,911	1,202,725	1,234,106	1,266,185	1,350,803	1,440,751	1,536,358
Sugraone	7.25	-702,043	470,378	1,000,302	1,561,098	1,663,187	1,695,873	1,730,800	1,866,274	2,011,620	2,167,887	2,335,206	2,514,950	2,615,571	2,719,773	2,828,301	2,940,885	3,057,867	3,292,023	3,543,236	3,812,724
Red Globe	3.12	-346,730	245,322	333,077	486,009	494,146	502,513	511,724	557,439	606,798	660,234	717,772	779,991	783,533	814,653	847,085	880,691	915,596	984,625	1,058,528	1,137,641
Alpha Red	0.00	-60,570	23,488	37,018	53,474	53,666	53,859	54,160	54,519	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Crimson Seedless	9.98	-650,123	662,336	1,357,396	1,984,456	2,026,547	2,069,740	2,115,214	2,325,656	2,555,676	2,807,354	4,641,592	5,520,020	6,056,150	6,641,484	7,056,666	7,497,050	7,964,432	8,460,543	8,986,945	9,545,472
Sunred Seedless	2.50	-283,280	242,470	506,031	735,286	746,025	756,965	731,669	761,055	810,136	862,352	917,672	976,483	1,009,707	1,043,902	1,079,307	1,115,810	1,153,510	1,227,282	1,305,611	1,388,776
La Rochelle	1.37	-228,875	194,722	297,581	431,963	437,456	443,048	421,182	427,011	432,806	438,654	444,368	504,751	512,702	520,643	528,682	536,735	544,830	552,976	561,142	569,321
Barlinka	1.37	-318,545	149,708	211,605	333,403	339,936	347,397	350,454	353,830	357,063	360,273	363,198	366,044	175,137	176,316	177,458	178,475	179,394	180,220	180,920	181,484
Midnight Beauty	2.54	-85,282	96,450	175,804	258,487	697,490	886,381	911,136	1,001,380	1,100,011	1,258,965	1,381,353	1,515,154	1,661,428	1,821,108	1,737,978	1,969,397	2,047,931	2,129,590	2,214,449	2,302,632
Autumn Royal	2.54	-85,282	90,717	156,694	230,368	250,252	640,112	827,813	910,558	1,001,015	1,100,009	1,233,755	1,354,271	1,486,066	1,629,964	1,658,165	1,686,656	1,792,264	1,863,696	1,937,920	2,015,042
Total Farm Gross Margin		-4,171,233	3,076,483	5,648,916	8,371,413	9,046,504	9,775,750	10,079,728	10,459,987	11,224,435	11,550,908	14,048,923	15,672,848	16,495,420	17,617,667	18,219,616	19,168,793	20,077,234	21,243,469	22,479,943	23,790,992
Indirectly Allocatable Costs/Farm		2,958,579	3,069,105	3,156,798	3,249,307	3,376,465	3,501,665	3,722,993	3,959,940	4,211,051	4,476,641	4,766,604	5,074,918	5,407,026	5,758,716	6,136,602	6,300,854	6,480,461	6,667,428	6,858,678	7,055,936
Indirectly Allocatable Costs/Ha		75,861	78,695	80,944	83,316	86,576	89,786	95,461	101,537	107,976	114,786	122,221	130,126	138,642	147,659	157,349	161,560	166,166	170,960	175,864	180,921
Labour		56,606	58,321	60,071	61,873	63,729	65,641	69,579	73,754	78,179	82,870	87,842	93,113	98,699	104,621	110,899	114,226	117,652	121,182	124,818	128,562
Electricity		2,652	3,012	3,212	3,345	3,487	3,567	3,789	3,876	3,899	4,012	4,123	4,234	4,378	4,388	4,412	4,197	4,204	4,265	4,331	4,378
Water		483	512	523	538	578	610	622	621	632	639	642	646	649	712	725	738	745	748	755	761
License and assurances		1,201	1,205	1,219	1,223	1,227	1,229	1,231	1,234	1,235	1,236	1,238	1,240	1,243	1,245	1,246	1,249	1,250	1,254	1,255	1,257

Administration	2,646	2,667	2,687	2,711	2,732	2,736	2,739	2,821	2,832	2,823	2,833	2,838	2,846	2,854	2,891	2,899	2,901	2,921	2,927	2,928
General Costs	421	432	435	445	456	487	433	456	546	488	553	567	589	578	589	567	598	610	599	621
Fuel and Energy	11,852	12,546	12,797	13,181	14,367	15,516	17,068	18,775	20,652	22,718	24,989	27,488	30,237	33,261	36,587	37,685	38,815	39,980	41,179	42,414
Margin before Capital Expenditure	-7,129,812	7,378	2,492,118	5,122,105	5,670,039	6,274,086	6,356,735	6,500,047	7,013,384	7,074,267	9,282,318	10,597,930	11,088,393	11,858,950	12,083,014	12,867,940	13,596,773	14,576,041	15,621,265	16,735,056
Fixed Costs/farm	5,403,000	1,600,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Land:	3,473,000																			
Main Buildings:	600,000																			
Pack House and Cooling:	1,600,000																			
Water Reservoir: Farm Dam	600,000																			
Fixed Improvements	730,000																			
Intermediate/Movable Capital/farm	1,053,000	394,000	198,000	295,000	320,000	50,000	50,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tractors: 45KW Tractor power	360,000	270,000			270,000															
Trailers: 2-wheeled trailer		24,000	24,000																	
Equipments: Trucks	245,000			245,000																
: other Bakies	310,000																			
: Mounted Spreaders (500L)	25,000																			
: Sprayers (1000L)	70,000	70,000																		
: Mounted Sprayer (500L)			27,000																	
:General Trailer	21,000																			
: Brush Cutter		30,000																		
: Fork Lift			147,000																	
Total Annual Outflow	9,414,579	5,063,105	3,354,798	3,544,307	3,696,465	3,551,665	3,772,993	3,959,940	4,211,051	4,476,641	4,766,604	5,074,918	5,407,026	5,758,716	6,136,602	6,300,854	6,480,461	6,667,428	6,858,678	7,055,936
Total Annual Inflow	-4,171,233	3,076,483	5,648,916	8,371,413	9,046,504	9,775,750	10,079,728	10,459,987	11,224,435	11,550,908	14,048,923	15,672,848	16,495,420	17,617,667	18,219,616	19,168,793	20,077,234	21,243,469	22,479,943	23,790,992
Nett Annual Flow	-13,585,812	-1,986,622	2,294,118	4,827,105	5,350,039	6,224,086	6,306,735	6,500,047	7,013,384	7,074,267	9,282,318	10,597,930	11,088,393	11,858,950	12,083,014	12,867,940	13,596,773	14,576,041	15,621,265	16,735,056
NPV	R 29,144,310.97																			
IRR	28.92%																			
Test	R -0.00																			

Annexure H

Farm-level model structure and results of Northern Region farm under Scenario 2B

Table 1: Farm-level model structure and results of Northern region farm under Scenario 2B

Years		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Corresponding years		2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Cultivar Margin	Ha																				
Moonballs	0.00	-224,772	99,098	166,863	274,564	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Prime Seedless	19.47	-2,236,005	1,147,928	2,665,610	4,272,782	4,665,835	5,078,141	5,044,892	5,764,892	7,331,534	7,942,740	8,494,469	8,745,389	8,995,846	9,247,874	9,496,733	9,739,337	9,973,930	10,348,537	10,734,613	11,130,554
Thompson Seedless	15.30	-3,375,672	1,153,498	2,699,335	4,413,247	4,571,795	2,774,575	2,858,809	2,943,949	3,025,396	3,092,497	3,154,049	3,157,848	3,151,973	3,137,601	3,110,572	3,068,004	3,008,039	3,046,486	3,081,827	3,112,260
Red Globe	4.56	-376,203	165,519	283,531	467,000	483,708	503,877	524,590	545,933	156,722	367,009	967,364	996,403	1,024,668	1,052,635	531,171	1,103,617	1,125,500	1,179,510	1,235,549	1,293,245
Flame Seedless	9.18	-875,253	696,270	1,297,791	2,022,853	2,151,775	2,338,942	2,541,324	2,760,366	2,995,485	2,623,099	3,083,847	4,834,353	4,949,965	5,097,153	5,243,984	5,389,049	5,531,567	5,741,353	5,957,874	6,180,427
Crimson Seedless	3.93	-96,360	57,515	130,526	207,286	215,064	222,504	242,001	-473,459	-96,640	1,642,970	1,778,585	1,808,594	1,860,868	1,913,527	1,965,616	2,016,515	2,065,871	2,143,587	2,223,702	2,243,042
Ronelle (Black Gem)	1.14	-148,960	71,015	112,965	172,710	176,062	178,466	180,676	182,703	184,191	184,334	183,773	182,518	180,497	177,794	174,100	169,198	162,947	163,976	164,718	165,038
Midnight Beauty	3.42	-75,241	56,942	88,997	140,632	147,789	162,919	179,462	197,567	-466,716	-126,949	1,472,273	1,515,557	1,558,727	1,602,141	1,644,963	1,686,652	1,726,897	1,791,696	1,858,469	1,926,934
Total Farm Gross Margin		-7,408,465	3,447,785	7,445,619	11,971,073	12,412,030	11,259,425	11,571,754	11,921,950	13,129,973	15,725,700	19,134,359	21,240,662	21,722,544	22,228,726	22,167,141	23,172,372	23,594,750	24,415,144	25,256,753	26,051,500
Indirectly Allocatable Costs/Farm		4,469,997	4,562,793	4,686,102	4,815,497	4,998,122	5,188,901	5,347,498	5,520,520	5,699,118	5,871,264	6,060,240	6,251,750	6,430,615	6,624,018	6,815,633	7,021,801	7,234,303	7,440,931	7,639,800	7,862,548
Indirectly Allocatable Costs/Ha		78,421	80,049	82,212	84,482	87,686	91,033	93,816	96,851	99,985	103,005	106,320	109,680	112,818	116,211	119,573	123,189	126,918	130,543	134,032	137,939
Labour		56,606	56,007	57,687	59,418	61,200	63,036	64,927	66,875	68,882	70,948	73,076	75,269	77,527	79,853	82,248	84,716	87,257	89,875	92,571	95,348
Electricity		5,212	6,241	6,345	6,432	6,543	6,789	6,910	7,043	7,345	7,432	7,567	7,689	7,890	8,233	8,455	8,900	9,322	9,545	9,567	9,876
Water		483	393	523	538	578	610	622	621	632	639	642	646	649	712	725	738	745	748	755	761
Licence and assurances		1,201	1,219	1,219	1,223	1,227	1,229	1,231	1,234	1,235	1,236	1,238	1,240	1,243	1,245	1,246	1,249	1,250	1,254	1,255	1,257
Administration		2,646	2,765	2,687	2,711	2,732	2,736	2,739	2,821	2,832	2,823	2,833	2,838	2,846	2,854	2,891	2,899	2,901	2,921	2,927	2,928
General Costs		421	369	435	445	456	487	433	456	546	488	553	567	589	578	589	567	598	610	599	621
Margin before Capital Expenditure		-	-	2,759,517	7,155,575	7,413,908	6,070,523	6,224,257	6,401,430	7,430,855	9,854,436	13,074,119	14,988,912	15,291,929	15,604,708	15,351,508	16,150,570	16,360,447	16,974,214	17,616,952	18,188,952

Fixed Costs/farm	4,827,000	1,763,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Land:	3,068,000																			
Main Buildings:	450,000																			
Pack House and Cooling:		1,763,000																		
Water Reservoir: Farm Dam	489,000																			
Fixed Improvements	820,000																			
Intermediate/Movable Capital/farm	1,113,000	445,000	-23,000	285,000	355,000	40,000	40,000	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Tractors: 45KW Tractor power	420,000	315,000			315,000															
Trailers: 2-wheeled trailer		30,000	30,000																	
Equipments: Trucks	245,000			245,000																
: other Bakies	310,000																			
: Mounted Spreaders (500L)	25,000																			
: Sprayers (1000L)	70,000	70,000																		
: Mounted Sprayer (500L)			54,000																	
:General Trailer	21,000																			
: Brush Cutter		30,000																		
: Fork Lift			-147,000																	
Total Annual Outflow	10,409,997	6,770,793	4,663,102	5,100,497	5,353,122	5,228,901	5,387,498	5,520,520	5,699,118	5,871,264	6,060,240	6,251,750	6,430,615	6,624,018	6,815,633	7,021,801	7,234,303	7,440,931	7,639,800	7,862,548
Total Annual Inflow	-7,408,465	3,447,785	7,445,619	11,971,073	12,412,030	11,259,425	11,571,754	11,921,950	13,129,973	15,725,700	19,134,359	21,240,662	21,722,544	22,228,726	22,167,141	23,172,372	23,594,750	24,415,144	25,256,753	26,051,500
Nett Annual Flow	17,818,462	3,323,008	2,782,517	6,870,575	7,058,908	6,030,523	6,184,257	6,401,430	7,430,855	9,854,436	13,074,119	14,988,912	15,291,929	15,604,708	15,351,508	16,150,570	16,360,447	16,974,214	17,616,952	18,188,952
NPV	R 33,855,443.71																			
IRR	27.02%																			
Test	R 0.00																			

Annexure I

Sector Model Results

Table 1: Sector model results under Scenario 1: Maintaining the current market distribution

										Northern Regions		Western Cape		Seasons	EU & UK	Far East	Middle East	Other															
Year	Seasons	Volumes	Price	Gross Income	Volume Growth	Price Growth	Value Growth	Years	Actual Year	Regional Price	% Change	Regional Price	% Change	06/07	07/08	08/09	09/10	10/11	11/12	12/13	13/14	14/15	15/16	16/17	17/18	18/19	19/20	20/21	21/22	22/23	23/24	24/25	25/26
2007	06/07	50,503,333	55.60	2,807,816,989	-1%	26%	24%		1 2007	65.0	0%	46.2	0%																				
2008	07/08	49,805,111	69.80	3,476,168,482	-3%	-8%	-11%		2 2008	79.3	22%	60.3	30%																				
2009	08/09	48,416,842	64.07	3,102,006,546	1%	2%	4%		3 2009	74.7	-6%	53.5	-11%																				
2010	09/10	48,997,844	65.57	3,212,812,729	1%	2%	3%	4	2010	76.6	3%	54.5	2%																				
2011	10/11	49,585,818	67.00	3,322,185,789	1%	2%	4%	5	2011	78.7	3%	55.3	2%																				
2012	11/12	50,180,848	68.63	3,443,694,115	1%	2%	4%	6	2012	80.7	3%	56.5	2%																				
2013	12/13	50,783,018	70.24	3,567,185,695	1%	2%	4%	7	2013	82.9	3%	57.6	2%																				
2014	13/14	51,392,414	71.99	3,699,589,691	1%	2%	4%	8	2014	85.1	3%	58.9	2%																				
2015	14/15	52,009,123	73.66	3,830,832,025	1%	2%	4%	9	2015	87.3	3%	60.0	2%																				
2016	15/16	52,633,233	75.49	3,973,376,722	0%	2%	2%	10	2016	89.6	3%	61.4	2%																				
2017	16/17	52,527,966	77.21	4,055,435,612	-1%	3%	1%	11	2017	92.0	3%	62.4	2%																				
2018	17/18	52,002,687	79.14	4,115,717,922	-1%	2%	1%	12	2018	94.4	3%	63.9	2%																				
2019	18/19	51,482,660	80.93	4,166,327,817	-1%	2%	2%	13	2019	96.9	3%	64.9	2%																				
2020	19/20	51,225,247	82.85	4,244,212,468	-1%	2%	1%	14	2020	99.5	3%	66.2	2%																				
2021	20/21	50,712,994	84.88	4,304,360,280	-2%	2%	0%	15	2021	102.1	3%	67.6	2%																				
2022	21/22	49,698,734	86.93	4,320,531,587	0%	2%	2%	16	2022	104.8	3%	69.0	2%																				
2023	22/23	49,450,241	89.02	4,402,040,236	-1%	2%	2%	17	2023	107.6	3%	70.4	2%																				
2024	23/24	49,202,989	91.18	4,486,099,046	-1%	2%	2%	18	2024	110.5	3%	71.9	2%																				
2025	24/25	48,956,974	93.42	4,573,546,446	0%	2%	2%	19	2025	113.4	3%	73.4	2%																				
2026	25/26	48,712,190	95.74	4,663,784,776	3%	-19%	-17%	20	2026	116.4	3%	75.0	2%	Share	85%	9%	3%	3%															
Average		50,414,013	77.17	3,888,386,249	0%	2%	2%	Regional Price Growth		3%		2%																					

Table 2: Sector model results under Scenario 2A: Slowly relocating export volumes away from Europe

								Northern regions		Western Cape												
Years	Seasons	Volumes	Price	Gross Income	Volume Growth	Price Growth	Value Growth	Years	Regional Price	% Change	Regional Price	% Change	Seasons	EU & UK	% Change	Far East	% Change	Middle East	% Change	Other	% Change	
2007	06/07	50,503,333	55.60	2,807,816,989	-1%	26%	24%	1	2007	65.0	0%	46.23	0%	06/07	42,927,833	-1%	4,545,300	-1%	1,515,100	-1%	1,616,107	-1%
2008	07/08	49,805,111	69.80	3,476,168,482	-3%	-7%	-10%	2	2008	79.3	22%	60.26	30%	07/08	42,334,344	-3%	4,482,460	-3%	1,494,153	-3%	1,593,764	-3%
2009	08/09	48,416,842	64.71	3,133,045,776	1%	3%	4%	3	2009	74.7	-6%	54.76	-9%	08/09	41,154,316	-1%	4,357,516	24%	1,452,505	18%	1,549,339	1%
2010	09/10	48,997,844	66.65	3,265,859,673	1%	4%	5%	4	2010	77.1	3%	56.23	3%	09/10	40,668,211	-1%	5,389,763	20%	1,714,925	16%	1,567,931	1%
2011	10/11	49,585,818	69.00	3,421,526,594	3%	3%	7%	5	2011	80.4	4%	57.58	2%	10/11	40,164,513	1%	6,446,156	11%	1,983,433	26%	1,586,746	23%
2012	11/12	51,184,465	71.41	3,654,923,382	1%	4%	5%	6	2012	84.2	5%	58.66	2%	11/12	40,435,727	-1%	7,165,825	16%	2,508,039	3%	1,945,010	7%
2013	12/13	51,798,679	74.19	3,843,087,646	1%	5%	6%	7	2013	88.4	5%	60.03	2%	12/13	39,884,983	-3%	8,287,789	14%	2,589,934	7%	2,071,947	6%
2014	13/14	52,420,263	77.88	4,082,612,200	1%	5%	6%	8	2014	92.8	5%	62.98	5%	13/14	38,790,994	-3%	9,435,647	7%	2,778,274	9%	2,201,651	8%
2015	14/15	53,049,306	81.80	4,339,210,912	1%	5%	6%	9	2015	97.5	5%	66.11	5%	14/15	37,665,007	-2%	10,079,368	7%	3,023,810	7%	2,387,219	12%
2016	15/16	53,685,898	85.95	4,614,231,390	2%	5%	6%	10	2016	102.4	5%	69.46	5%	15/16	37,043,269	-1%	10,737,180	12%	3,221,154	7%	2,684,295	10%
2017	16/17	54,629,085	89.85	4,908,295,234	0%	4%	4%	11	2017	106.7	4%	73.04	5%	16/17	36,601,487	-3%	12,018,399	9%	3,441,632	5%	2,949,971	4%
2018	17/18	54,602,821	93.50	5,105,136,832	1%	4%	5%	12	2018	110.1	3%	76.86	5%	17/18	35,491,834	-2%	13,104,677	9%	3,603,786	5%	3,057,758	4%
2019	18/19	55,086,446	97.33	5,361,820,311	0%	4%	5%	13	2019	113.7	3%	80.95	5%	18/19	34,704,461	-4%	14,322,476	4%	3,800,965	2%	3,195,014	4%
2020	19/20	55,323,266	101.38	5,608,494,871	1%	3%	4%	14	2020	117.4	3%	85.33	5%	19/20	33,193,960	1%	14,937,282	1%	3,872,629	1%	3,319,396	1%
2021	20/21	55,784,294	104.84	5,848,284,840	1%	3%	4%	15	2021	121.3	3%	88.42	4%	20/21	33,470,576	1%	15,061,759	1%	3,904,901	1%	3,347,058	1%
2022	21/22	56,159,570	108.43	6,089,446,068	0%	4%	4%	16	2022	125.2	3%	91.64	4%	21/22	33,695,742	0%	15,163,084	0%	3,931,170	0%	3,369,574	0%
2023	22/23	56,373,274	112.41	6,336,990,769	0%	4%	4%	17	2023	129.3	3%	95.51	4%	22/23	33,823,965	0%	15,220,784	0%	3,946,129	0%	3,382,396	0%
2024	23/24	56,583,438	116.42	6,587,697,910	2%	4%	6%	18	2024	133.5	3%	99.31	4%	23/24	33,950,063	2%	15,277,528	2%	3,960,841	2%	3,395,006	2%
2025	24/25	57,769,230	120.60	6,966,770,952	0%	4%	4%	19	2025	137.9	3%	103.28	4%	24/25	34,661,538	0%	15,597,692	0%	4,043,846	0%	3,466,154	0%
2026	25/26	57,967,506	124.93	7,242,136,073	0%	0%	0%	20	2026	142.4	3%	107.44	4%	25/26	34,780,503	0%	15,651,227	0%	4,057,725	0%	3,478,050	0%
Average		53,486,324	89.33	4,834,677,845	1%	4%	5%	Regional Price Growth		4%		5%		Targets achieved in 14 years								

Table 3: Sector model results under Scenario 2B: Rapidly relocating export volumes away from Europe

									Northern region		Western Cape		Seasons EU & UK		% Change Far East	% Change Middle East	% Change Other	% Change				
Years	Seasons	Volumes	Price	Gross Income	Volume Growth	Price Growth	Value Growth	Years	Regional Price	% Change	Regional Price	% Change	06/07	42,927,833	-1%	4,545,300	-1%	1,515,100	-1%	1,616,107	-1%	
2007	06/07	50,503,333	55.60	2,807,816,989	-1%	26%	24%	1	2007	65.0	0%	46.23	0%	07/08	42,334,344	-5%	4,482,460	8%	1,494,153	13%	1,593,764	3%
2008	07/08	49,805,111	69.80	3,476,168,482	-1%	-7%	-10%	2	2008	79.3	22%	60.26	30%	08/09	40,185,979	-5%	4,841,684	32%	1,694,589	21%	1,646,173	13%
2009	08/09	48,416,842	64.71	3,133,045,776	-3%	3%	4%	3	2009	74.7	-6%	54.76	-9%	09/10	38,218,318	-3%	6,369,720	35%	2,057,909	20%	1,861,918	17%
2010	09/10	48,997,844	66.72	3,269,231,194	1%	4%	7%	4	2010	77.1	3%	56.30	3%	10/11	36,921,600	-2%	8,598,181	15%	2,478,299	18%	2,174,834	13%
2011	10/11	50,577,535	69.46	3,513,304,549	3%	4%	8%	5	2011	80.9	5%	58.02	3%	11/12	36,023,626	-3%	9,919,549	12%	2,923,657	12%	2,453,783	8%
2012	11/12	52,208,154	72.45	3,782,415,233	3%	5%	6%	6	2012	85.6	6%	59.29	2%	12/13	34,870,870	-2%	11,095,277	16%	3,275,748	9%	2,641,733	13%
2013	12/13	52,834,652	75.96	4,013,121,485	1%	6%	8%	7	2013	91.2	6%	60.76	2%	13/14	34,219,948	-5%	12,832,480	14%	3,582,401	6%	2,994,245	8%
2014	13/14	53,468,668	80.79	4,319,670,625	1%	6%	8%	8	2014	97.1	7%	64.47	6%	14/15	32,466,175	2%	14,609,779	2%	3,787,720	2%	3,246,618	2%
2015	14/15	54,110,292	86.03	4,655,089,888	1%	7%	9%	9	2015	103.5	7%	68.57	6%	15/16	33,177,885	2%	14,930,048	2%	3,870,753	2%	3,317,788	2%
2016	15/16	55,296,474	91.82	5,077,505,615	2%	6%	8%	10	2016	110.3	7%	73.32	7%	16/17	33,760,775	2%	15,192,349	2%	3,938,757	2%	3,376,077	2%
2017	16/17	56,267,958	97.30	5,474,892,902	2%	5%	7%	11	2017	116.3	5%	78.26	7%	17/18	34,399,777	1%	15,479,900	1%	4,013,307	1%	3,439,978	1%
2018	17/18	57,332,962	101.99	5,847,364,473	2%	4%	5%	12	2018	120.6	4%	83.41	7%	18/19	34,704,461	0%	15,617,007	0%	4,048,854	0%	3,470,446	0%
2019	18/19	57,840,768	106.47	6,158,412,785	1%	4%	5%	13	2019	125.2	4%	87.78	5%	19/20	34,853,658	1%	15,684,146	1%	4,066,260	2%	3,485,366	2%
2020	19/20	58,089,430	111.25	6,462,205,561	0%	4%	5%	14	2020	130.0	4%	92.45	5%	20/21	35,376,463	2%	15,919,408	2%	4,127,254	2%	3,537,646	2%
2021	20/21	58,960,771	115.35	6,801,097,605	1%	4%	6%	15	2021	135.1	4%	95.59	3%	21/22	36,083,992	2%	16,237,796	2%	4,209,799	2%	3,608,399	2%
2022	21/22	60,139,987	119.61	7,193,578,089	2%	4%	6%	16	2022	140.4	4%	98.85	3%	22/23	36,805,672	2%	16,562,552	2%	4,293,995	2%	3,680,567	2%
2023	22/23	61,342,786	124.30	7,624,776,822	2%	4%	6%	17	2023	145.9	4%	102.74	4%	23/24	37,541,785	2%	16,893,803	2%	4,379,875	2%	3,754,179	2%
2024	23/24	62,569,642	129.62	8,110,318,412	2%	4%	6%	18	2024	151.5	4%	107.70	5%	24/25	38,292,621	2%	17,231,679	2%	4,467,472	2%	3,829,262	2%
2025	24/25	63,821,035	135.19	8,627,938,807	2%	4%	6%	19	2025	157.5	4%	112.92	5%	25/26	39,058,473	0%	17,576,313	0%	4,556,822	0%	3,905,847	0%
2026	25/26	65,097,456	140.75	9,162,262,397	2%	0%	0%	20	2026	163.1	4%	118.42	5%	Share	60%	-3%	27%	15%	7%	11%	6%	8%

